

LANCASHIRE BRINGS 900 TROOPS FOR GARRISON

The 11,000-ton troopship Lancashire arrived from the United Kingdom yesterday with 900 reinforcements for the Colony's Garrison. Welcoming the arrivals at Kowloon Wharf were Lieutenant-General F. W. Festing, DSO, CB, GOC-in-Chief, Land Forces, Hong Kong, and Major-General E. Evans, Commanding New Territories.

Personalia

Arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Monday included A.C. Belcher, Mr. and Mrs. S.M. Grimm, C.B. Pace, F. Perks and A.L. Phillips.

Among the departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Monday were Miss W. G. Guthrie, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Gaddie, M. Sherry, Miss C. Bunning, L.F. Murphy and E. Hanna.

Corpse Taken From Sunken Chak Sang

With the recovery of one more dead body from the sunken British steamer Chak Sang on Saturday night by the Marine Police, eight personnel of the ill-fated ship are still missing.

The corpse was that of a Chinese. The body was charred and headless. It could not be identified.

No further details regarding the salvage work were available last evening from the owners, Jardine, Matheson.

Diving operations were continued yesterday, in an attempt to extricate, if possible, any more dead bodies from the wreck.

Divers' Report

The report of the investigation by the Kowloon Dock divers was believed to have been sent in to the owners.

This, however, could not be confirmed last evening.

The Chak Sang, which exploded on Wednesday night a few hours before the typhoon lashed the Colony—is at present three-quarters submerged on her port side with only her starboard superstructure above water, which at low tide is only 38 feet deep, increasing only by seven feet at high water.

The part of her bulkhead on the starboard side, nearest the fore hold, was badly dented and blackened as a result of the explosion and subsequent fire.

The bow was completely under water.

The explosions occurred in the fore part of the steamer—No. 1 and 2 holds.

A lifeboat, swung amidships, was still dangling from a davit.

Sentenced For Fraud

A sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. A. D. Scholes at Central yesterday on Chun Wai-yu on a charge of fraudulent conversion of US\$5 for his own use.

Detective Sub-Inspector J. Howlett told the court that defendant was a guide who took American sailors to shops.

The guide would receive a commission from the shop and sometimes tips from the sailors.

On July 17 George Cook, an American sailor, gave defendant US\$5 and asked him to get some change. Defendant took the money and was not seen again.

Information was given by one of the guides to the Police and defendant was arrested.

Defendant said that he owned land at Yuen Long in the New Territories. At the outbreak of the European war, defendant said, he joined the St. John Ambulance Brigade. When the Japanese invaded the Colony he served in the First Aid Squad.

After the war, defendant said, he had received a certificate from the King in commendation of his services. He had a wife, a five-year-old daughter, and a mother over 60 years of age to support.

PARTY ON BOARD FRENCH LINER

Shipping and business men of Hong Kong were entertained at a cocktail party on board the luxury French liner La Marseillaise last evening.

The last word in travel comfort, the La Marseillaise, latest to join the Far East fleet of Messageries Maritimes, arrived here on her maiden voyage on Friday.

She will leave on her homebound voyage at 6 p.m. today via Manila, Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Djibouti and Port Said.

ARGENTINE ENVOY TO PI ARRIVING

Manila, September 13.—It was reliably learned today that the Argentine Minister to the Philippines, Mr. E.A. Viera, may leave for Hong Kong tomorrow by plane.

The reason for the trip was not disclosed. It was understood that Mr. Viera may be en route to Manila after his consultations with the Argentine-United States.

Addition To FAO Staff

FAO's Far Eastern Regional Office yesterday announced the addition of another member to its staff with the arrival of Dr. G. L. Kesteven, Regional Fisheries Representative, from Singapore.

Dr. Kesteven has been with FAO since August of 1947 and since that time has been engaged in fisheries research work in this part of the world.

Dr. Kesteven is a graduate of Sydney University where he graduated with Honours and was awarded the University Medal in Zoology.

Following his graduation Dr. Kesteven was associated with the Australian Commonwealth Council of Scientific and Industrial Research and remained with that organisation until 1947.

He carried out extensive research work in the biology of oysters, mullet and other fish, and in the methodology of fisheries work. He has published a number of papers on these subjects.

In 1945 he was loaned to UNRRA for its procurement programme in Australia and during this period visited and made a report on Philippine fisheries.

In February of 1947 he was again loaned to UNRRA to help out on the China fisheries programme.

Dr. Kesteven is Secretary to the FAO sponsored Indo Pacific Fisheries Council which held its inaugural early this year in Singapore.

The FAO Regional Office also announced that Dr. David Bau, Regional Economist, has returned from a six weeks' trip to Washington headquarters.

He reported on the general agricultural situation in the Far East and worked on the agenda for the upcoming pre-Conference Regional Meeting in Singapore.

Missing MP

"The air was so humid that it prevented the men from sleeping on the deck in the Indian Ocean and the China Sea," the "OC" said.

He added: "The boys took it very well indeed. This is the first time that they are seeing the Orient."

Meanwhile, the disappearance of a young British military policeman who was reported missing when the Lancashire was the victim of a typhoon en route to Singapore is still under investigation.

Officers aboard are holding an enquiry. No information was available yesterday. Those approached declined to divulge further details other than that the missing soldier did not turn up at roll call and that an hour's search of the ship proved fruitless.

Disembarkation from the Lancashire was carried out rapidly and smoothly. Troops were dispatched to their respective billets by trucks and on foot.

The personnel of the 14 Field Regiment, RA, are billeted at the Gun Club Hill Barracks.

New Zealanders

Among the officers who disembarked were three New Zealanders—attached to the Royal Artillery and the Royal Armoured Corps—who came for service in the Colony.

The arrivals by the Lancashire have brought the total strength of the Garrison beyond the 24,000 mark, including the Army, Navy and Air Force.

During the past three months, 11 troops have disembarked reinforcements, mostly from the UK and Malta.

The Lancashire was the first troopship to bring the first sizeable reinforcements in June—800 men, mainly personnel of the Royal Air Force Regiment, Malaya.

She was followed by the Empire Halliwell, which brought the main unit of the 1st Bn. the Royal Leicestershire Regiment. (The advance party arrived earlier by the Lancashire.)

Most of the reinforcements have been posted to the New Territories, where they have been carrying out extensive exercises to acquaint themselves with the conditions and terrain.

Another Ship Arriving Today

The reinforcements which have arrived here since June include: 1st Battalion The King's Own Scottish Borderers, the 3rd Royal Tank Regiment, 3 Commando Brigade, 1st King's Shropshire Light Infantry, 1st Battalion South Staffordshire Regiment, 14th Field Regiment, 24 Field Regiment, RE, 1st Battalion, The Buffs, 1st Leicestershire Regiment, 1st Middlesex Regiment, 27 Anti-Aircraft Regiment, 21st Squadron RAF Regiment, 21st Squadron 2-10 Gurkha Regiments and several servicemen of the Women's Royal Army Corps.

The twelfth troopship within the past three months is due to enter port early this morning.

She is the Empire Ken, which is bringing some 600 reinforcements, including 53 officers and 103 other ranks for the 33 General Hospital (La Belle College).

The troopship will berth alongside Kowloon Wharf at about 8.30 a.m.

TROOPS FOR MACAO DISEMBARK

Macao, September 12.—More than 1,500 West African troops arrived at Macao today to reinforce the Portuguese Colony's garrison. The troops disembarked from the Portuguese liner La Marseillaise.

This was the latest contingent to be sent from the Portuguese possessions in Africa.

The new arrivals, who are mostly from the Portuguese colonies, are being sent to reinforce the garrison at Macao.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brooks after their marriage which took place at the Supreme Court Marriage Registrar's Office yesterday afternoon. Witnesses were Mr. A. J. Keddie and Miss L. A. Overton. ("China Mail" Photo.)

Building Lot Sold At Auction For \$222,000

A big building lot, with an area of 74,000 square feet, was sold at the upset price of HK\$222,000 at a land auction at the Public Works Department yesterday afternoon.

The lot, known as New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 3572, was purchased by Mr. Tam Hei-tin, of No. 289, Des Voeux Road Central, on behalf of nine joint buyers. Situated in Nga Tsin Wai Road, Kowloon city, the Crown rent of the lot is HK\$2,718 a year, and the lease is for 75 years with an option of renewal for a further 24 years.

Photogenic Hong Kong

"Hong Kong is the most wonderful place in the world for making pictures," declared John Roberts, cameraman, who is filming the world for Lowell Thomas, American author and news commentator.

Roberts is being sent round the world by Lowell Thomas and is traveling by P.A.A. He arrived here a fortnight ago, during which time he has made use of some 4,000 feet of film in the Colony.

"It is hard to say which is the most interesting sight in the Colony. Every subject seems to have its refreshing angle of interest: from the waterfront to the Peak level, the city's bustling activities, the calm serenity of the New Territories, the people, all have their own fascinating attractions," said Mr. Roberts, commenting on Hong Kong as a cameraman's subject.

Mr. Roberts' present job is to gather world material in films for Lowell Thomas who intends to present his lecture entitled "Round-the-World with the Thomases."

The famous news commentator is at present in Tibet. He succeeded in negotiating two precious permits into that sacred and mysterious land. The son is with him.

John Roberts describes himself as a free lance photographer and specialises in coloured films.

During the war he was instructor of motion pictures in the United States Army.

His next destinations, after Hong Kong will be Tokyo and Honolulu where he will engage in extensive filming, ending his trip by the end of this month when he will have arrived back in the United States at San Francisco.

Mr. Roberts was making what he said would be his last shot in Hong Kong, when the "China Mail" reporter caught up with him. He was shooting the scenes at Kai Tak Airport.

"For its size, it sure can hold its own," he said.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The following forthcoming weddings have been announced:

Thomas Henry Evans, of H. M. Dockyard Police, and Miss Choy Hin-bing, of 58 Gloucester Road, first floor.

Alexander Ivanovich Bilsorkoff, merchant, of King's Building, third floor, and Mrs. Lubov Nikolovna Ulenchenko Petrova, of 430 Peninsula Hotel.

Dudley Sykes Thompson, commercial executive, of Seoul, Korea, and Miss Anne-Sophie Hubert, secretary, of New York.

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Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

Loong Bee

Sir,—My attention has been drawn to reports (not carried in the "China Mail") forwarded from Kowloon under date September 10 referring to the above vessel in which the following paragraph appears:—"It was also learned from other reliable sources that the Lung Mei (Loong Bee) was actually owned by the Chinese Communists by the South China Trade Bureau, and that the British officers were under the employ of that bureau, which registered the ship in Singapore."

The paragraph above quoted has not a vestige of truth in it and it would be interesting to know what the agency furnishing the report considers to be a "reliable source."

The vessel of the vessel, the same vessel in Singapore purely as a trading venture and sent her to Hong Kong without any voyage plans whatsoever. To my certain knowledge the owner has no connection with any political party in China or elsewhere and the vessel was sent here purely on the suggestion of his representatives here who had made preliminary enquiries where it would be usefully employed.

The voyage to Shanghai was undertaken in accordance with the usual shipping practice and numerous shippers were approached to secure cargo.

As regards the return voyage it is indeed a fact that neither the owner in Singapore nor his agents in Hong Kong knew of any contract or firm in Shanghai who would undertake the agency for the vessel there, and that the name of the firm (long established) in Shanghai was secured through the recommendation of a British firm in Hong Kong. The Shanghai agent agreed to procure cargo and so far as is known approached numerous shippers in the usual manner, from whom cargo was obtained.

It is a significant fact in connection with such return cargo that the owner's agents in Hong Kong are even now unaware who these shippers are and will not know until the manifests or the copies of them arrive in Hong Kong.

It is significant that no reference to these actual shippers is made in the report as this would at once clear up the question whether the vessel was being used for any political purpose, I am sure that none of the officers on the vessel have ever heard it suggested that they were employed other than by the owner of the vessel in Singapore or that they were expected to contact anyone but the owner's specially appointed agent in Shanghai.

D. C. WEN.

Death Inquiries

Sir,—In the leading article appearing in the "Sunday Herald" on 11th September, under the heading "Keeping It Dark," the following passage appeared:

"Symptoms are the powers granted in the case of sudden deaths occurring within our borders. In England, any death not manifestly due to natural causes must be examined in public by a coroner's court, and the verdict given. In Hong Kong, if the police are satisfied that no inquiry need be held, none is held. Most people at home think such conditions exist only behind the iron curtain."

This passage contains a complete misstatement of the law of Hong Kong, as it is totally untrue to say that "if the police are satisfied no inquiry need be held, none is held."

Police investigations into deaths not manifestly due to natural causes are considered by Magistrates under the provisions of the Coroners' Abolition Ordinance, 1888, must decide whether to hold a death inquiry. If he so decides, he may hold it with or without a jury. The police have no power to order that no inquiry be held. If a Magistrate decides not to hold a death inquiry he must forward the papers to the Attorney General who may require him to hold such inquiry.

I should be grateful if you would give this matter wide publicity, given to the above quoted statement appearing in the "Sunday Herald" of 11th September, the public would be seriously misled.

W. GORDON HARMON, Public Relations Officer.

(Editor's note: We regret giving the public an incorrect impression of the procedure in Hong Kong, and Mr. Harmon's statement does put a different complexion on the matter. The leader-writer's basic point still seems to stand, however. It is difficult to see why it should be left to any individual whether a magistrate or the Attorney General should be held into death not due to natural causes. Why should a public coroner's hearing, not be automatic, as in England?)

CORRECTION

In the caption below a picture in the "Sunday Herald" of a social party on board the luxury French liner La Marseillaise, Mr. J. Jones, was referred to as Manager of the Douglas Steamship Company. Mr. Jones is actually Manager of Thomson and Co. Ltd. General agents for the Far East. The error is regretted.

DONATIONS

The following donations to the St. John's Cathedral Campaign Appeal have been received:

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Claim For Nine Lakhs In Alleged Breach Of Contract

The sum of HK\$900,748.15 was the amount claimed at an action for alleged breaches of contract brought by a former Shanghai merchant against another at the Supreme Court yesterday before the senior Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Williams.

Plaintiff, A. V. White, of 3 College Road, Kowloon, charges that defendant and a partner failed to carry out their part of various contracts dated 1947 and 1948 and that neither has made any payments contracted for in the alleged monetary transactions.

White claims in the alternative the sum of HK\$656,036.50 as damages for the respective breaches of contract. He further claims the costs of the action and other relief.

Defendant denies each and every allegation laid out in the lengthy statement of claim, and that he has committed any breach of contract or that plaintiff has suffered any damages as alleged.

Mr. Leo d'Almeida, KC, and Mr. D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr. M. A. da Silva, are representing the plaintiff. The defendant, F. C. Roberts, of 96 Robinson Road, and also formerly of Shanghai, is represented by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, KC, and Mr. A. J. Clifford on the instructions of Sir Man-kam Lo.

Plaintiff is a merchant formerly carrying on business at 119 Jockey Road, Room 44, Shanghai. Defendant is a merchant and trader formerly carrying on business from September, 1946, until the material dates at 153 Nanking Road, Room 23, also in Shanghai, in partnership with Charles Baeten on equal partnership basis.

Plaintiff claims that by the following contracts—which implied usage within 10 days of the date of the contract—and for value received therefore by the defendant from the plaintiff as particularly set out in the statement of claim, the defendant agreed with Charles Baeten to effect payment in the following terms:

"I, A. V. White pay you CNY\$2,275,000.00, and you—namely, the partnership of F. C. Roberts and Charles Baeten for such consideration—agree to pay from available funds in the U.S. to the account of L. K. Taylor with the Chase National Bank, New York, within 10 days from the date of contract the sum of US\$40,500."

The total of the 10-odd contracts amount to US\$136,823, 13,509 and HK\$50,000.

Statement of Claim

The statement of claim alleges that the defendant and his partner, Baeten, failed completely to carry out their part of each of the contracts. Neither the defendant nor his partner has made any of the said payments contracted for, and they are unable or unwilling to make these payments.

Alternatively, defendant at all times material to this action, represented to the plaintiff that he was a partner with Charles Baeten in the said business. Plaintiff further claims that defendant, relying on such representation, entered into the transactions in question.

By the law of China, any such representation by the defendant precludes defendant from setting up against plaintiff the non-existence of the partnership by which defendant and Charles Baeten.

As a further alternative, the statement of claim states, defendant well knowing that Baeten was conducting himself and holding himself out as a partner of defendant and representing himself to be in partnership with defendant, stood by, permitting such conduct and representation.

By Chinese law, any such standing by precludes defendant from denying as against plaintiff the existence of the partnership between himself and Baeten.

Plaintiff claims return of HK\$900,748.15 as money received by the defendant to the use of the plaintiff. In the alternative, plaintiff claims the sum of HK\$656,036.50 as damages for the respective breaches of contract. The cost of the action and other relief is also claimed by plaintiff.

Defence Statement

In the statement of defence, the defendant states that by a deed of partnership dated March 1, 1947, made between himself and Baeten, the partnership between them was dissolved and a new partnership formed for carrying on as import and export merchants and general commercial agents in the firm name of Yahan Company.

It was provided in the deed that the undertaking of the partnership should in due course be taken over by a private limited company to be formed and registered in Hong Kong. By the formation of this company, the partnership contained in the said deed on March 1, 1947, was terminated.

Except for this, defendant denies any partnership between him and Charles Baeten, ever existed.

Defendant denies that at any relevant time or at all was there any partnership between him and

Charles Baeten with regard to foreign currency transactions.

With regard to all alleged contracts, the statement of claim, defendant says if such contracts were made—which is not admitted by defendant—such contracts were personal contracts between plaintiff and Charles Baeten and were not partnership contracts as alleged.

Further in the alternative, defendant denies he had any knowledge of such contracts at the time when the contracts were alleged to have been made, or that he ever agreed or ratified them. He further denies that he ever received any benefits or value therefrom either as a partner or at all.

Chinese Law

Defendant further maintains that Charles Baeten never did have any authority either express or implied to enter into any of the transactions in such way as to bind defendant. In the alternative, defendant says all such transactions to the knowledge of the plaintiff and Charles Baeten at all material times were by reason of the matters hereinafter alleged illegal or criminal transactions.

At all material times, the statement of defence goes on to say, plaintiff and defendant were in Shanghai and each of them carried on business and was ordinarily resident in China. Each of the alleged transactions took place in Shanghai by the law of China in force in Shanghai, and each of the transactions alleged to be to the knowledge of the plaintiff illegal or criminal and contrary to the laws of China and Hong Kong.

By the laws of China, any agreement made in or after February, 1947, whereby in consideration of any money paid or agreed to be paid by one party the other party undertook to pay money in any place outside China was illegal or criminal agreement.

The defence goes on to set down at all material times, neither plaintiff nor defendant nor Charles Baeten had any authority for making any payment in New York, London or Hong Kong or elsewhere out of China in respect of transactions alleged and each of the transactions was intended by the plaintiff to be an evasion or illegal or criminal breach of the laws of China.

All monies paid by plaintiff to Charles Baeten were paid to an account of the plaintiff, and irrecoverable, plaintiff claims. He denies he ever agreed to ratify such contracts as alleged.

Defendant further states he does not admit Charles Baeten has failed to carry out payments as alleged, but denies he has any liability to make such payments as pleaded. In no case was Baeten entrusted with the management of the affairs of the partnership nor was he acting on conformity with the original authority.

A further denial was made of the receipt of any money to the use of the plaintiff as alleged. Defendant states that even if such statements had been made, he is not liable to repay such payments for reasons pleaded because in the law of China, no claim for repayment can be made where money has been paid for an unlawful cause.

Defendant denies he has committed any breach of contract as set out and that plaintiff has suffered any damage as alleged.

Mr. d'Almeida, for the plaintiff, on making a preliminary point, told the Court that it was agreed that no question of English law arose in this case but wholly of Chinese law.

He submitted that there were four issues in this case, three of which had the burden of proof on the plaintiff. The fourth was on the defendant.

The issues, he continued, were these: (1) Were the contracts entered into by the defendant, a partner with Baeten? (2) If not, did he hold himself out as such a partner? (3) If so, were these contracts illegal, and if so, can the payment of contracts be recovered back?

Mr. d'Almeida submitted that he must begin, but that having discharged the onus, of proof on (1), (2) and (3), the burden then shifts and the onus is on the defendant to prove the illegality which he claims.

Comment that submitted numerous legal submissions and quoted from authorities in support of

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Court granted the latter's suggestion as to the issues and laying out of the case before the Court.

Opening his case, Mr. d'Almeida told the Court that plaintiff and defendant have known each other for some 25 years, and are related by marriage. Plaintiff, he stated, will say that a good deal of the matter was founded upon trust. No receipt and records were kept by him on the debt between him and defendant.

Some time after the end of the Pacific War, Counsel continued, plaintiff met defendant in Shanghai during a party. Defendant there told plaintiff that he was in partnership with one Baeten in business. Later the defendant suggested that a direct line telephone be installed between plaintiff's office and that of the defendant.

Defendant eventually introduced plaintiff to Baeten. Evidence will be given that throughout these two gentlemen conducted themselves as partners in their dealings. Mr. d'Almeida stated.

Payments in HK

Payment of Chinese National Currency was then made by plaintiff to the partnership. Upon receipt of such payment defendant would effect payments in the particular foreign country concerned in the currency of that country. With regard to payments in Hong Kong, these were made by one Miss Kitty Anderson in the Colony Counsel stated.

Augustus Victor White, plaintiff, eventually took the stand. He said in evidence that before coming to Hong Kong in early 1948 he had lived all his life in Shanghai. After the war, he had a business of shares and general brokerage. In this business of foreign exchange currency, he had a business associate, Mr. Maillard.

Plaintiff went on to say that when defendant met him at the party in 1947, defendant suggested that he do business with his firm. He mentioned he was in partnership with Baeten, who had been a dealer in exchange for some time.

White then went at length into the many exchange deals and transactions he had with the partnership after many of which, he claimed, he found out that some of the contracts were not fulfilled by Roberts and were in default.

On January 9, 1948, he continued, he got information that Roberts was leaving Shanghai for Hong Kong. After a search Roberts could not be found. Finally, two days later, he himself flew to Canton, and took a train to Hong Kong.

Why He Left Shanghai Asked by the Court the reason for his leaving Shanghai, plaintiff said that he did so to follow Roberts. He also understood Roberts' accounts were to be investigated in Shanghai by the Economic Police. On account of the fact that in Roberts' transactions, plaintiff's name would be disclosed, plaintiff said he was afraid he himself would be involved in the investigations.

Plaintiff went on to explain that the Economic Police of Shanghai, before they made any investigations, would arrest and put one in jail and hold one there without trial unless some way of "fixing them up" was reached.

Plaintiff said he left Maillard in Shanghai to see if there were any further accounts not fulfilled and to keep him informed. On arriving in the Colony, plaintiff continued, he later met Roberts at Miss Kitty Anderson's office at the Hotel Cecil. Roberts there did not deny his liabilities, and said he would settle matters with plaintiff. He further said his wife was also coming from Shanghai with his books.

Hearing was adjourned until 2.15 p.m. today.

FOOD AND FUEL COSTS

The food and fuel costs for the week ending September 10, issued by the Labour Office, were as follows:

Rice & Flour 7.2 cwt.	\$4,740
Vegetables 1.9 cwt.	1,840
Salt Cabbage 2 cwt.	280
Oil 7 cwt.	1,430
Tea 2 cwt.	980
Salt Fish 3 cwt.	1,080
Pork 4 cwt.	1,360
Pork 3 cwt.	1,120
Firewood 10.0 cwt.	820
Bean Curd, 14 pieces	700
Total	\$16,440



Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins, Secretary for Chinese Affairs, at the laying of the foundation stone of the Industrial and Domestic Training Wing, Po Leung Kuk, yesterday. On Mr. Hawkins' right is Mr. Li Tsun-nung, chairman of the Po Leung Kuk.—"China Mail" Photo.

New Wing Being Added To Po Leung Kuk

Inmates of the Po Leung Kuk (home for women and children) are to be taught industrial handicraft and domestic duties, to equip them to face the world when they leave the Kuk.

Chinese Soldiers Pass Through HK

About 1,400 Chinese Nationalist soldiers and their families arrived here by the Chinese steamer Kuo Hsing from Canton yesterday. There are about 1,500 tons of military stores aboard. The destination of the Kuo Hsing, which is making her first appearance in local waters, is not determined yet. She is due to leave today.

Youth Faces Assault Charge

Summoned for uttering insulting language and unlawfully assaulting Cheung Leung, complainant, coxswain of the motor boat Elephant, Z. E. Brown, aged 19, of the China Construction Company, was present before Mr. James Wickes at Kowloon yesterday.

The complainant told the court that about 4 p.m. on August 4, defendant's father, sister, defendant himself, four other sailors and some other persons were being ferried to the Choi Lee Shipyard, near Ngau Chi Wan from Choi Ling. At the shipyard, defendant's father and sister left the boat which according to her engineer, was developing a mechanical trouble.

Later defendant told complainant to steer the boat to the Tai-koo Dockyard where he was supposed to pick up a hydraulic hammer for defendant's father. This order was not obeyed by the complainant as the vessel's machines were developing trouble.

Then defendant scolded the complainant and in a abusive manner told the complainant to leave the vessel's cabin.

The complainant also told the court that defendant had struck him on the back of the head in ordering the complainant out.

Defendant later stood in the witness box and denied that he had used any insulting language. He said that the words he used were either "you fool" or some other phrases which were quite often used by both men even when they were in a friendly mood.

Denies Assault

He further denied that he had hit complainant on the back of complainant's head. He said that he merely used his hand to usher the coxswain out of a cabin in which they were quarrelling.

The defendant produced two witnesses who both stated that they saw the quarrel between the two men. They further said that they did not see defendant hitting the complainant.

Defendant's version of the quarrel was that after his father and sister had left the vessel, he told the coxswain to steer the boat for Tai-koo Dock. The coxswain refused saying that the boat had a mechanical trouble.

"I then asked defendant how long does it take to repair the engine," defendant went on to say, "and he takes two or three hours."

Later defendant told the court that he scolded the complainant for not checking on his boat before their departure from Choi Ling. Mr. James Wickes cautioned and discharged defendant, he said that the reason of the incident should lie on the complainant who thinking that defendant was only a young man, could not take the young man's orders. However, on the other hand, being a young man, defendant should learn more of the way of treating his employees.

A new wing is to be added to the West end of the Kuk building, to be called the Industrial and Domestic Training Wing, to house the school in which this education is to be provided.

Laying the foundation stone of the new wing yesterday, Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, commended the Po Leung Kuk in their far sighted policy and enterprise. Setting up of this school was a step in the right direction, he said.

For decades the Po Leung Kuk had served as a refuge for homeless women and children, and had served society in the best of Chinese traditions, said Mr. Hawkins. This, however, did not mean it was not also moving forward with the times and adapting itself to changed conditions.

The directors of the Kuk had felt more and more the need to equip their charges with the wherewithal to face the world and to earn a living for themselves when they left the Kuk. Accordingly the decision was made to establish this new school to give them the necessary training.

New Chairman

Mr. Li Tsun-nung, the chairman of the Kuk, thanked Mr. Hawkins for coming to lay the foundation stone, and for the encouragement he had always given the Kuk.

Yesterday was also the election of new officials for the coming term, and Mr. Choy Cheong was unanimously elected chairman of the new committee.

The outgoing chairman, Mr. Li Tsun-nung, gave a review of his stewardship for the past term, and thanked his colleagues of the committee as well as the general public for their support.

Exiled Taiwan Leader's Plea To Quirino

Manila, September 12. Thomas Liko, leader of the Taiwan Independence League, now in exile in Hong Kong, wrote to President Elpidio Quirino, appealing for Philippine sympathy for Taiwan's national aspirations, it was learned today.

The United Press informant said the letter expressed a bid for Taiwan's participation in the South East Asia Union and also hope that President Quirino would assume the leadership in early implementation of the SEAU.

The informant added the Liao expressed hope that the Philippines would sympathize with Taiwan's desires for independence.—United Press.

MOTOR VESSEL BEACHED

More than 200 pigs and fowls would have been drowned but for the prompt action of the master of a motor trading vessel which leaked while on the way from Tung Kun with the livestock for the Colony, on Saturday night.

The Wing Shing was beached when water poured in rapidly at Cheong She Wan, off Castle Peak. A fishing junk was hired and the pigs and fowls transferred to the junk.

The master reported to the authorities on his arrival here yesterday that the incident occurred at 7 p.m. on Saturday when he was out on a fishing trip.

The 200 pigs and fowls were rescued by the fishing junk and taken to the Island of Lantau. The master of the fishing junk, Mr. Wong, said that the Wing Shing was a motor vessel which was carrying a large number of pigs and fowls for the Colony.

Reminders

Today

11K Rotary Club Luncheon, Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel, 12.30 p.m. Speaker: F. D. Yule, DSO, DFC, speaking on "Battle of Britain".

Urban Council Meeting, 4.15 p.m. (Application for Licences.) European YMCA Bridge Drive, 8 p.m. for Civilians and Servicemen. (West Lounge).

Coming Events

TOMORROW

YMCA Debating Group Meeting at European YMCA, Kowloon, 6.30 p.m.

European YMCA Mahjong Lessons, 8 p.m. (West Lounge). No charge for Servicemen.

THURSDAY

Kowloon Rotary Club Luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m. Speaker: Dr. Moody. Subject: "Tuberculosis."

Y's Men's Club Luncheon, Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden, 1 p.m. Speaker: Right Rev. Bishop R.O. Hall. Subject: "On Defending Hong Kong."

European YMCA—"The Barnstormers" will entertain. (West Lounge). Jolly Variety Show for Troops, 8 p.m. No charge.

Court Brevities

An ex-police constable was yesterday sentenced to six months by Mr. A. D. Scholes at Central on charges of desertion and with failing to return two pairs of shorts. Defendant was also recommended for deportation.

Defendant deserted the Police force in October 1948. During the war years defendant worked for the Chinese Air Force and after the war joined the police force.

Defendant asked the court to reduce the sentence saying that there was a job waiting for him in Shanghai.

Cheung Nui, aged 30, a widow residing at Causeway Bay, was charged before Mr. Hin Shing-Lo at Central yesterday with the possession of dutiable commodities.

Revenue Inspector Humphreys prosecuted and said that defendant was in possession of 1,800 cigarettes on which import duty had not been levied.

Defendant was arrested on September 11 at Yuen On Wharf. Defendant was fined \$50 or 10 days.

A Chinese motor car driver, Mak Jin-ching, aged 27, was given the option of a fine of \$200 or six weeks imprisonment by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday on charges of driving without due care and attention. Mak's driving licence was also ordered to be endorsed.

According to the prosecution, defendant was driving a taxi along Queen's Road East and at a bend near the Royal Naval Terrace defendant tried to overtake a private car on the left side but was unable to do so.

As a result, defendant's taxi collided with the private car.

A Chinese merchant was fined \$400 or two months by Mr. Hin Shing-Lo at Central yesterday for placing three sacks of sisibey and spars parts on board MV Lung Man.

Leading Cheung, aged 24, was arrested by revenue officers during a routine search.

Revenue Inspector Humphreys prosecuted and said defendant placed the goods on board without the consent of the owner, agent or master of the ship.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, October 4, 1949, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving and considering the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended March 31, 1949; declaring a dividend; electing Directors; appointing Auditors; and transacting any other ordinary business of the Company.

The Register of Members will be closed from September 24 to October 4, 1949 both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

WHELOCK MARDEN & COMPANY, LIMITED, Secretaries.

Hong Kong, Sept. 12, 1949.

NOTICE TO THE PORTUGUESE COMMUNITY

Registration of Portuguese children (beginners) for the Kindergarten School which is to be started on the 19th September, 1949, at the Club de Recreio, King's Park, Kowloon, will be accepted on the 15th, 16th and 17th of September, 1949, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 noon, at the Club de Recreio, Miss Lilia Guan will be in charge of the Registration.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the 7th Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 24th September, 1949, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Telephone House: the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 15th September, 1949.

By Order,
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ECAFE To Meet In A British Colony

Singapore, September 11.

The bustling colony of Singapore is being spruced up for the first major conference of the United Nations ever to be held in a Crown Colony.

Delegates from all the important Asian countries will gather here on October 20 for the fifth plenary session of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East (ECAFE), which promises to turn the city into the "Lake Success of the Orient" for six weeks from the middle of September. Twenty-eight countries are sending more than 500 delegates, advisers and secretaries to six regional conferences and 50 days of all nations will be flown from the stately Victoria Memorial Hall and Theatre, where the various discussions are to take place. The Hall building, facing the crowded waterfront, has been colour-washed for the occasion. Its conversion into an international conference chamber, with the necessary trimmings, has cost the Government nearly £7,000.

In all, the Singapore authorities estimate, they will spend £250,000 on the conference. The theatre has been turned into a typing pool, a bank, a post office, airline agencies, a cable despatch centre and a cafe, and licensed bars have been installed.

An army of Chinese, Indians, Malays, Britons, Pakistanis, Europeans and a Belgian has been recruited in Singapore for the conference staff.

The proceedings will open with a 12-day conference of the International Labour Organisation on September 12 and the regional conference of the Food and Agricultural Organisation will hold a two-day conference starting on September 27.

There will be a joint FAO-ECAFE meeting from October 1 to 3 and other conferences will include those of the Island Transport Committee from October 5 to 10, and the Committee on Industry and Trade from October 12 to 17.

The conference of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East will have the formidable task of shaping the economic future of 1,000 million Asians—about half of the human race.—Reuter.

Kwangtung Defence

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Nationalist Guerrillas

Communist despatches from Hanoi, North Anhwei trouble spot, said today that "Nationalist guerrillas" now hold Tapt Mountain areas along the Hupai-Honan-Anhwei border, adds Associated Press in a report from Shanghai.

Th despatches said these "Nationalist guerrillas" also included bandits. The "North Anhwei Daily" recently called on Communists for a general mobilization against bandits who raid villages and farms, interrupt crop gathering and hamper communications to keep vast rural areas in turmoil.

A despatch to the "Liberation Daily" from Hanoi said one bandit stronghold in the mountain hamlet of Kingklatsi was captured by Red troops and 80 prisoners were taken.

The Communist "New Agency" claimed Red armies had wiped out 5,477 guerrillas and bandits around Pingkiang, Yoyang, Lin-hsiang, Linyang and Siyang in Hunan Province. It added that five artillery pieces, 62 machine-guns and nearly 3,000 small arms were seized. The despatch said this was accomplished in a series of actions since early August.

These points are all around Communist-held Changsha.

Another Communist despatch described the wiping out of 3,000 guerrillas in the Kian area of Central Kiangsi, along with the seizure of 8,000 small arms.

Unless the Communists can quickly win this war within war, the effect could be disastrous. Big as their armies are they cannot afford to scatter them all over the conquered areas while the Nationalists continue to hang on in the South and blockade the coastline from Taiwan.

It is the same old double-edge sword that sapped Japan's strength in World War II and undermined Nationalist strength and morale afterwards.—Reuter

KID GAVILAN STABBED IN STREET FIGHT

New York, September 11.—Kid Gavilan, 23-year-old Cuban welterweight, was stabbed in the neck today in a Harlem street fight with three Negroes.

He was not seriously hurt, though five stitches were necessary. Gavilan in July unsuccessfully fought Sugar Ray Robinson for the world welterweight title.

The police said that Gavilan shouted "Get going" when a taxi, which three Negroes had hailed, blocked his car. The Negroes pulled Gavilan from his car. He stepped up to the taxi but was stabbed before he could get in a blow.—Reuter.

Resignation Of Paraguay President

Asuncion, September 11. Paraguay's President, Dr. Felix L. Lopez, has resigned, naming the Foreign Minister, Dr. Federico Chavez, as the interim President.

Dr. Chavez is President of the National Assembly. Dr. Lopez's resignation, which has been accepted, was offered to a specially summoned session of Parliament with the knowledge that his Party, the Colorado Party, had withdrawn its support and confidence.

The Party proposed Dr. Chavez for the Presidency. Dr. Lopez was the only candidate in the Presidential elections last April. He seized power in February in a four-hour revolution, Paraguay's seventh and quietest in 14 months.—Reuter.

Fantastic American Proposal

New York, September 11. Britain should be forced to put up its fleet of super-liners as security for any new United States loan, suggested John David Griffin, editor of the "New York Enquirer".

In a letter to the Secretary of Treasury, John Snyder, today Mr. Griffin urged that Britain be compelled to provide such collateral as an initial test of Britain's good faith.

He suggested that the Cunard White Star Line's luxury liners, including the Queen Mary and Elizabeth, and possibly those of other British companies, be held in escrow by the United States and distributed for operation under the American flag, among several of the larger American shipping companies.

Whenever Britain liquidates the loan which appears to be in prospect the liners should be returned but none of the profits which may have accumulated by the American shipping companies as a result of this plan shall revert to the British companies involved, he said.

This plan would also give the United States sufficient tonnage to make American transport facilities capable of meeting the demands for the first or second years of possible war with Russia, he said.—United Press.

SYNTHETIC RICE

Madras, September 12. The Madras Government is experimenting with the production of synthetic rice as a means of overcoming the rice shortage in this India province.

Synthetic rice is a mixture of flour of tapioca, sweet potato, dried bananas and de-oiled groundnut. This mixture is made to simulate rice by chemical processes and then impregnated with vitamin B. Food officials claim the synthetic rice has three times the caloric value of natural rice.—Associated Press.

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S. K. J. 952
H. K. 3
D. K. 32
C. 06
S. 10 7 4 3
H. 12
D. A. Q. 10
C. K. J. 7
S. 4
S. 86
H. A. J. 10 8 7 4 3
D. 0 7 4
C. 3

(Dealer: East-West vulnerable.)

East South West North
C 3 H 4 C 4 S

South, after scoring the heart A and seeing the dummy's singleton, switched to the spade 8, the K forcing the A. East, a player with the habit of trying promptly the first method which promises a chance to make a contract, drew trumps in two rounds and then finessed the diamond 10. He saw that success with either of two diamond finesses would make his contract.

After the first finesse lost to the J and the spade 5 was returned to the Q, he finessed the diamond 10.

Q, the K setting his contract.

At another table, where somewhat similar bidding developed, East made that contract by means of simple thinking. First, he realized that North had the heart K. Since South led the A, Second, with South surely holding about seven cards of his suit for such a pre-emptive overall, North could not have more than the unguarded K left.

So, after winning the second trick with the spade A and clearing trumps in two rounds, East led the heart 9 and ruffed it in the dummy. When the K fell on this, the Q was established. East used that honour then to discard one of the dummy's diamonds and then, ruffed one of his own, after losing a single diamond finesse. He therefore made his contract without subjecting it to the hazard of a second diamond finesse.

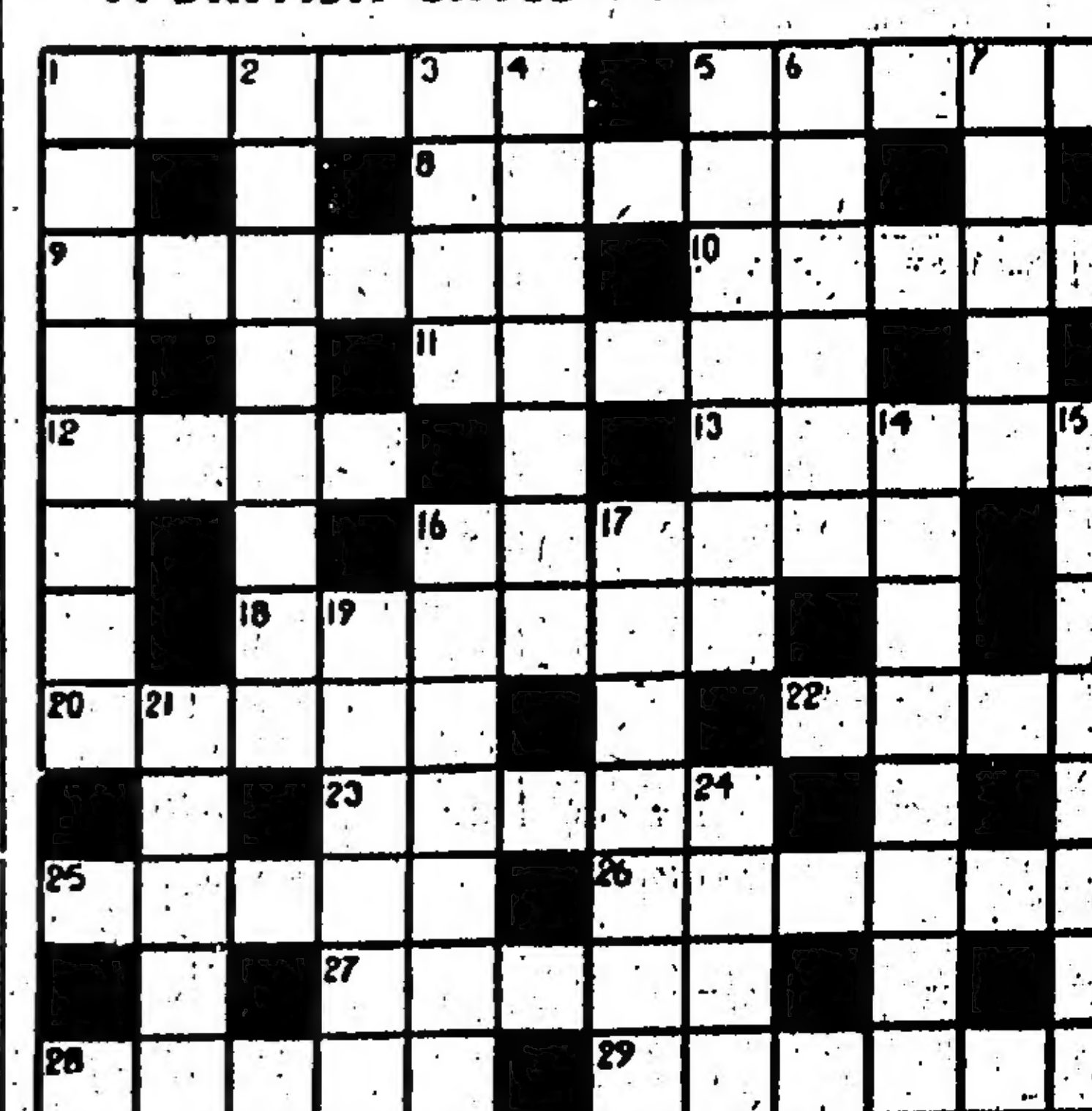
Tomorrow's Problem

S. A. J. 7
H. Q. 10
D. A. 7 6
C. K. 8 7 6 4
S. 10 6 4
H. A. 8 5 4
D. K. Q. 10
C. J. 3
S. 8 6
H. J. 3
D. 8 2
C. A. Q. 10 5

(Dealer: North. Both sides vulnerable.)

Can you imagine any circumstances under which North can get into 3-No Trumps—and make the contract?

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Across

1 Egyptian beetle. 18 In high spirits. 20 Fieldwork. 22 Expensive matter. 23 Snow hut. 9 Food-cup of board. 25 Quantity of paper. 10 Inspired. 26 Unexpected. 11 Of the sun. 27 Dehydrates. 12 Geometrical shape. 28 Happiness. 13 Shelf. 29 Deprive of food. 16 Mock.

Down

1 One who chooses. 14 Protector. 2 Set in order. 16 Parilla. 3 Imitates. 17 Rosta. 4 Minor noble. 18 Landowner. 5 Null. 21 The same. 6 Gazed. 24 Expat. 7 Employing.

Yesterday's Crossword

Across: 3 Null. 7 Waves. 8 Exit. 9 Kilm. 10 Lovers. 12 Dial. 15 Taper. 18 Boys. 19 Event. 21 Abuse. 23 Apex. 25 Seven. 26

Down: 20 Molling. 23 Fair. 27 Zero. 32 Groed. 33 Tons. DOWN: 2 Caper. 3 Defeat. 4 Unite. 5 Land. 6 Mice. 9 Kest. 11 Tasse. 12 Ibox. 14 Cate. 16 Raps. 17 Lamb. 18 Boys. 20 Venture. 22 Aver. 24 Enit. 25 Angus. 27 Omen. 28 Spot.

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A large selection of ladies' dresses for all occasions has now arrived at Tamara May's in the Peninsula Hotel.

Recently imported from the United States, the ready-made dresses which you have longed for are of all sizes and designs. Visit Tamara May's and you will find that your dream dresses are sold at moderate prices.

This dressmaker also takes orders for wedding and evening gowns.
A well-known Kowloon general importer and exporters company is at present displaying in their spacious show windows large selections of high class embroideries of the best Swatow workmanship. Also on display are best quality linens (for table and other uses), silk pajamas (clothes, piece goods etc.) and other articles which are necessary in making your home cosy and comfortable.

Situated on 53, Nathan Road, the Swatow Wen Lee Company has also reinforced their large stocks of Swatow draperies, linings, and other novelties. Orders are also taken by the company which has a tailor shop attached for your convenience.

For Kiddies

For your kiddies, sensible toys made of plastic can now be obtained at E. C. Fincher's, situated at 11, Salisbury Road.

One of the strongholds for toys in Kowloon, Fincher's has a large selection of children's toys ranging from miniature sewing machines to model war weapons which helped us to win the last war.

Sensible toys designed by Hilary Page and solely manufactured by the Kiddicraft Limited, are a part of the store's toy stock.

Another famous toyland on the mainland is the Sunny Company, 69 Nathan Road, where toys among the best the world can offer are being sold at moderate prices.

Junior can now have a miniature army or air force of his own, spread in front of him on the living room floor as another large stock of these war toys has just found its way to Sunny's.

Books At Swindon's
Books, magazines for children, jigsaw puzzles, play books and story books have recently attracted many buyers to the Swindon Book Company of 25, Nathan Road.

The Swindon Book Company also has a large stock of the best painting books for children. They

are now being displayed in the company's show windows.
All kinds of books, as well as magazines and periodicals from all the leading cities of the world, are at present lying on the company's shelves awaiting your selection.

Swindon's also have newspapers and periodicals from many parts of the world.
The company also has in stock a large collection of greeting cards for all occasions.
Colourful, artistic with verses in them to suit everyone's taste, the anniversary cards, birthday cards and other types of cards are sold at moderate prices.

The company also has a stationery department where the world's best makers of stationery display their products for your choice.

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And here is something which will really attract you and your folks at home—food.
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Then, of course, there is the Dairy Farm where your daily supply of fresh milk comes from. The company, which is famous for its pure food, has, as usual, a large supply of fresh meats, cooked meats, butter and eggs.

A large supply of Hargreaves Pineapples have recently arrived at the Dairy Farm Store on the mainland. The pineapples, which are packed in 30-ounce tins, are sold at \$1.55 per tin.

Another tinned food among the large collection stocked in the famous provision store, is the "Oak" brand milk powders.
The Dairy Farm Kowloon Branch also has a large selection of best cheeses. Among them are Kraft, Edam, Danish Blue, Gouda and Gruyere Cheeses.

Baby Foods

It's daily supply of fresh vegetables and other provisions are always welcome to Kowloon housewives.

Also always present in their stock of canned foods are a selection of baby foods and fruit juices recently arrived from the

GOLD BARS CONFISCATED

Ten gold bars were ordered to be confiscated by Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday when Leung Hing was charged with importing the gold from Canton.

Arrested by the revenue officers at the Kowloon Railway Station, Leung failed to declare the gold when he was asked by the revenue officer whether or not he had anything to declare.

The bars were found concealed in defendant's shoes and in his trousers watch-pocket.

Defendant later admitted that he was carrying the gold for some Chinese men in Canton. Leung was cautioned and discharged.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Charged with disorderly conduct, two women were ordered to be bound over in a sum of \$50 each by Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday.

Tam Yuet-cheung, aged 25, and Tam Kwai-chun, aged 31, were also fined \$15 each.

Facts against them were that on September 9, first defendant made a complaint to the police at Tsun Wan that second defendant had assaulted her. They were both cautioned by the police who later on Saturday again received a complaint from first defendant that a fight had taken place between the two women. Second defendant received slight injuries to her face, back and hands.

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Quarry Employees In Court

Four Chinese employees of the Government Hok Yun Quarry, at Hung Hum, were charged before Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday with larceny by public servant on three counts.

Originally charged with the same charge on five counts, defendants in this case were Kwok Loi, aged 43, fitter foreman at the quarry; Tsui Wing-pun, clerk, aged 31, Wong Hing-fung, office assistant, aged 29, and Wong Hing-kam, stone crusher, aged 33.

With the exception of first defendant who was defended by Mr. V. L. D'Alton, the rest of the defendants were represented by Mr. C. Loseby.

The prosecution which was conducted by Mr. A. Shaw, Acting Assistant Superintendent of Police, alleged that defendants had stolen from the Government Quarry about 23 cubic yards of tinstone.

Mr. Shaw told the court that first defendant who was a mechanic, was only responsible for the maintenance of the machines that were in the quarry's plant. He was not even responsible for the electrical equipment in the plant.

He alleged that the first defendant definitely had no reason to supervise the transportation of the tinstones from the quarry by three lorries.

One of the prosecution's witnesses, Mr. A. G. Freebain, Quarry stores and pit "supervising" that second defendant was the quarry's chief clerk. His job was to look after the clerical affairs of the quarry. He took orders from the Government engineers to Mr. Freebain for approval and issued orders to deliver the stones. He was also responsible for weighing, recording and dispatching of stones as ordered.

Explaining third defendant's job, Mr. Freebain said that it was to assist in checking the goods to be delivered whereas the last defendant had a job of mixing tar and stones for the quarry's daily production. At the end of each day, last defendant should take a sample of his product to the Quarry office for inspection.

The prosecution alleged that all four defendants had taken part in larceny of the stones.

In his opening, Mr. Shaw told the court that as the first defendant's official job was solely on the quarry's machines, he could not take part in larceny of the stones without previously knowing what he was doing. Further Mr. Shaw alleged that if without orders from the second defendant, the first defendant could not have taken part in the crimes.

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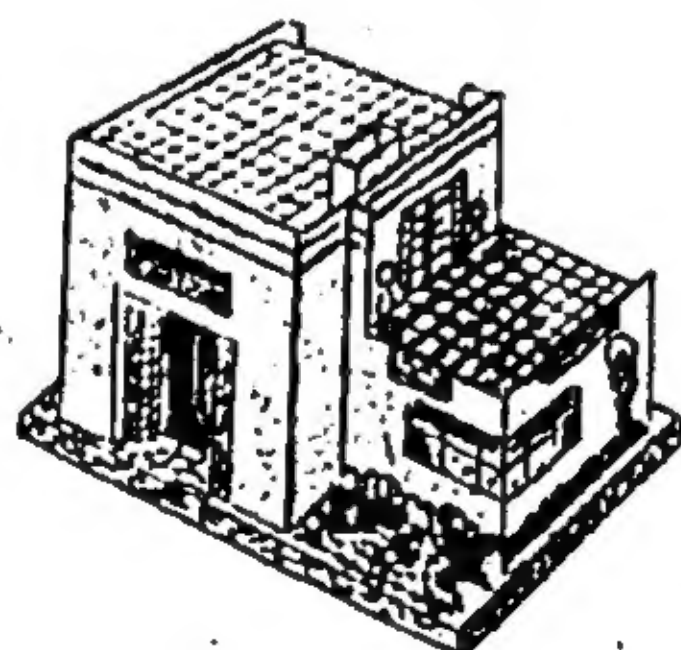
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Confidence In Pound Sterling Will Return

Washington, September 11. High officials of Britain, the United States and Canada today drafted the final communiqué which will embody agreements reached by the three-Power economic conference to solve Britain's dollar crisis.

British officials here were confident that the communiqué, when issued tomorrow, will do much to re-establish world confidence in Sterling and check the dangerous drain on the United Kingdom's gold and dollar reserves.

The communiqué—one of the most important international financial declarations since the end of the war—is expected to cover a wide field.

It is believed to include both short and long-term proposals to enable Britain and other Sterling Area countries to obtain the dollars they need to buy essential goods from the United States and Canada.—Reuter.

WORLD BANK TO HOLD SESSION IN WASHINGTON

Washington, September 11. One of the early decisions of the tripartite sterling-dollar conference—to support membership in the World Bank of Sterling Area countries not yet members—is expected to be one of the first items on the agenda of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank session opening here on Tuesday.

Forty-eight nations have now delegates to this fourth annual meeting of the Boards of Governors of the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

The Bank membership proposal was explored by the Overseas Investment Committee formed at last week's tripartite dollar talks.

This Committee decided that Britain, Canada and the United States should encourage membership in the Bank and in the International Monetary Fund of independent Sterling Area countries as a means of dealing with the lack of balance between the sterling and dollar areas.

Mr. Eugene Black, a World Bank President, will report loans totalling nearly \$200,000,000 for the past year when he presents his annual report on Tuesday.

British Request

Britain is expected to ask the International Monetary Fund this week to repeal a resolution preventing Marshall Plan countries from exercising drawing rights.

This would provide one means of meeting her current dollar difficulties.

Consent of the Fund's Governors would give Britain the right to draw \$325,000,000, the equivalent of 25 per cent of her Fund quota during the coming 12 months.

American support of the proposal is reported unofficially to be conditional on Britain's devaluation of Sterling.

Drawing rights are designed to make foreign exchange resources available to members to meet short-term payments difficulties.

The Governors are expected to hold their closing meeting on Friday.—Reuter.

FEDERAL UNION BEST WEAPON

Washington, September 11. Three former Iron Curtain diplomats said today that a federal union of North Atlantic democracies would go far in splitting Russia's satellites and easing the threat of war.

The belief was voiced in messages to Mr. Owen Roberts, former Supreme Court Justice, from Stefan Osusky, former Czechoslovakian Minister to France, Constantin Folch, former Yugoslav Ambassador, and Edgar Prochlik, former Austrian Minister to the United States.

Mr. Roberts is President of the Atlantic Union Committee.

"The federal union idea is the most effective weapon yet devised against Soviet domination over countries behind the Iron Curtain," said Mr. Osusky.—United Press.

DEVALUATION PLAN ATTACKED

Washington, September 11. Clarence Streit, active U.S. world federalist, contended today that the devaluation of the pound would ruin Britain's middle class and give England a mighty shove toward Communism.

In an article of his magazine "Freedom and United Journal of World Republics," Streit said: "Devaluation would wipe out a great chunk of British private capital and throw myriads of middle class voters into the proletariat. How Karl Marx would exult if he could see American bankers, Government officials and Congressmen blithely asking to save capitalism in Britain by urging devaluation. Britain has already fattened dangerously on monetary revolution in France, Italy, Germany, Hungary and China."

The middle class investments and savings accounts, he said, and noted that these would necessarily depreciate with the currency.—United Press.

INDIAN EXPERTS IN WASHINGTON

Washington, September 11. Indian financial experts now here for the annual meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development have been following with close interest the day-to-day developments in the dollar talks.

These tripartite discussions have involved the routine meetings of the above two bodies with added importance.

There will be a joint meeting of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank on September 13 followed by Committee meetings of the two bodies.—Reuter.

MAYOR'S MEETING

Geneva, September 11. Mayors from 20 countries will open a five-day conference here tomorrow to discuss civic problems.

Ernst Reuter, Mayor of West Berlin, and Mayors from Communist-dominated Poland and Czechoslovakia will be among the 200 delegates and observers.

The United States, Canada, Israel, India and most of the countries of Western Europe will be represented.

The conference will discuss prevention of road accidents, food, sanitation and the housing shortage.—United Press.

ECONOMIC COUNCIL TO DEAL WITH THE DOLLAR PROBLEMS

AMERICAN ASSURANCES OF CONCESSION TO UK

New York, September 11.

British, Canadian and United States Ministers at the dollar talks in Washington have agreed in principle on the formation of a permanent Economic Council to deal with problems of dollar and sterling trading areas, Mr. Felix Blair, Washington correspondent of the "New York Times," wrote today.

He said the Ministers had not decided on the form of the Council. But they had agreed that there was no simple solution to the dollar-sterling problem and some tripartite agency was needed to facilitate decisions at Cabinet level.

Mr. Blair reported other developments in yesterday's conference, including the following:

- (1) United States assurance to Britain of permission to spend part of her dollar grants from the Economic Co-Operation Administration to buy wheat and possibly some other essential food supplies in Canada instead of being required to place such orders in the United States.
- (2) Substantial progress on an expanded programme of stockpiling strategic materials to be acquired in British Commonwealth countries.
- (3) United States concession of the need for a revision of its Customs procedures to facilitate British and other exports.
- (4) The tripartite working group's report to the conference that Britain's dollar shortage would be alleviated through development loans to colonial areas by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the Export-Import Bank.
- (5) British representatives' agreement that the Labour Government soon must cut its budget, presumably in the field of welfare expenditures.

The Sterling Balances

Official circles today discounted reports that Sir Stafford Cripps, British Chancellor of the Exchequer, has presented to the conference a plan for scaling down Sterling balances in a manner requiring dollar allocations to the countries concerned.

It was stated that the subject of the Sterling balances would undoubtedly have been discussed by Sir Stafford in relation to confidence in the Pound Sterling and the manoeuvrability of the Sterling balances generally.

These discussions would naturally arise. It was added under Article 10 of the financial agreement of December 6, 1945, between the United States and Britain, by which the latter obtained a credit of \$3,750,000,000.

Under Article 10 of the agreement, Britain made known its intention to make agreements with the countries concerned for the release of convertible funds for current transactions.

Official Indian financial circles here are also sceptical of such a plan having been submitted.

They said that India has not been officially approached on this subject, though proposals on the lines suggested had been made ever since Bretton Woods and repeated year after year right up to the opening of the present tripartite conference.

Loan Request

No immediate reaction from Canadian sources was available on the suggested possibility that Canada might offer a sizeable credit to India if the United States took the initiative.

An announcement regarding the Sterling balances talks at the tripartite talks is expected to be made tomorrow.

Britain is reported to be ready to turn to the International Monetary Fund for direct loans to supplement the limited trade concessions she is expected to get from the United States.

However, there are signs that the U.S. representatives on the 48-nation Fund and the Fund's directors will oppose granting any loans to Britain until the British and other Western European governments devalue their currencies. Britain is reported to be interested in getting the Fund to repeal or modify the resolution passed in April 1948, which now prevents Britain and other Marshall Plan countries from tapping the Fund's US\$9,032,000,000 resources.

If the resolution is repealed Britain will be eligible to draw US\$325,000,000 from the Fund during the next 12 months.

This situation was revealed as the British, American and Canadian officials neared agreement on a six-point "stop-gap" programme designed to start Britain on the road to solving her financial crisis.

U.S. Objections

The Cabinet Ministers from the three Governments are reported to be confident that they can and discussions late on Monday, which will permit Mr. John Snyder, the Secretary of the U.S. Treasury, Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the British Exchequer, and the Canadian Minister of Finance, Mr. Douglas A. Young, to attend the annual meeting of the World Bank beginning on Tuesday.

British officials are reported to have mentioned a desire to seek financial help from the Fund during closed door conversations with American and Canadian officials.

Mr. Snyder is understood to have told the British that the question is one for the Fund to decide at the forthcoming sessions.

It is learned, however, that the American attitude is that it would be misuse of the Fund's resources under present conditions to make loans to Britain.

Camille Gutt, the Fund's Managing Director, is reported to feel the same way.

It is said that their attitude is that Britain's economic and financial difficulties are long-range and thus Britain could not qualify for loans from the Fund, which was established to lend money to countries with short term problems.

Devaluation Again

If, on the other hand, Britain and the other Marshall Plan countries devalue their money, then the Fund might be willing to consider the problem as a short-range one and permit them to draw on its resources.

American officials believe that if Britain devalued the Pound the sales of British products in the United States and Canada would increase considerably, enabling Britain to earn more dollars.

They acknowledge that it would also increase the cost of the raw materials and food Britain buys in the U.S. but they believe that the increased sales would outweigh this disadvantage.

Officials point to the Swiss free market, where the Pound is selling at US\$2.09 instead of US\$1.43, as proof that the Pound is overvalued.

British, American and Canadian "working parties" met at the State Department today informally to put final touches to the tripartite communiqué to be issued after the last conference meeting.

Diplomatic officials attending the negotiations reported that the United States has about agreed to take these steps to assist Britain:

Six Points

- 1.—To liberalize Marshall Plan regulations to permit Britain to use Marshall Plan dollars for part of the Canadian wheat and flour they have contracted to buy.
- 2.—Partly to relax article nine of the 1946 British loan agreement to permit Britain to discriminate temporarily against American goods.
- 3.—To increase purchases of British tin, rubber, industrial diamonds, mica, bauxite, chrome, manganese and other strategic raw materials that Britain has for sale.

4.—To ease Government regulations on the use of synthetic rubber in the United States to enable Britain to sell more natural rubber to American manufacturers.

5.—To revise inter-relation of American customs regulations to make it easier for British exporters to get goods into the United States.

6.—To establish tri-power "continuous working groups" to concentrate on the British financial problem after the conference ends.

British Promise

Britain would promise to intensify her export drive for American markets and take strenuous steps to cut production costs and modernize her industries.

Mr. Snyder is reported to be heartened by the frank discussions with the British and by Britain's determination to solve the dollar shortage by greater exports.

Mr. Snyder is reported to believe that Britain is facing her problems realistically and this has brightened the chances for a long-range solution.

The leading British delegates took the day off today. Mr. Ernest Bevin going to Leesburgh, Virginia, to be luncheon guest of the former Secretary of State, George Marshall, and Sir Stafford going to Vienna, Virginia, to visit Mr. Dean Acheson's brother, Professor Edward Acheson, economics teacher at the George Washington University, Washington.—Reuter and Associated Press.

Bright Outlook In Greece

Athens, September 11. The Greek Government's handling of the difficult tasks of the past year justified considerable confidence in the future, Mr. John Nuveen, former chief of the Economic Co-operation Administration's Mission in Athens, said in a statement issued here today.

The statement marked Mr. Nuveen's pending departure to Belgium to become chief of the ECA Mission there.

"The Government," he said, "had the almost impossible task of carrying out a full-scale war, of carrying out a reconstruction programme in the neighbourhood of \$100 million and still maintaining financial stability."

Despite all this, price levels had been held stable.

"Looking ahead," Mr. Nuveen added, "we can see a good olive crop and a good wheat crop. And, more significant, the refugees are returning to their homes."

Greek labour leaders today called upon the Greek working classes to undergo new sacrifices to secure the fruits of victory.

The Secretary-General of the Greek General Confederation of Labour, M. Phokion Makris, in a speech, urged working class co-operation to ensure a smooth transition from war to peace.—Reuter.

Earl's Special Licence

London, September 11. The Archbishop of Canterbury has issued a special licence for the Royal marriage on September 29 of the Earl of Harewood to Miss Marion Stein, a spokesman at St. Mark's Church said today.

The Earl, 31th in line to the British throne, and Miss Stein will be married at St. Mark's. The banns would have been called there today, but a spokesman explained that the special licence by the Archbishop enables the couple to marry at any time or place without the usual notice.

Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh were married under a similar special licence from the Archbishop.—Associated Press.

BRITAIN'S SHARE OF AID FUNDS

Washington, September 11. The United Kingdom received \$468,000,000 in Marshall Plan funds during the week ended September 9, the Economic Co-Operation Administration reported today.

This brought the cumulative total for the United Kingdom to \$1,728,115,000.

The authorizations for the 12 European countries, Western Germany and Trieste, totalled \$18,599,000, and brought the cumulative total for Europe to \$8,534,128,000.—Reuter.

Moscow On Capitalist "Conflict"

Moscow, September 11. "Izvestia," in a full-page review of the eleventh volume of Premier Stalin's collected works, pointed out today that 20 years ago Stalin said: "The fundamental contradiction in the imperialist camp consists of a contradiction between British capital and American capital."

Author of the "Izvestia's" review, S. Petrov commented: "Premier Stalin's analysis of the basic imperialist contradictions is vitally true today. Anglo-American contradictions not only did not disappear but have sharpened considerably after the second world war."

He directly quoted Stalin that "all these contradictions will inevitably lead to a basic danger of new imperialist wars and interventions in preparing new wars."

The newspapers, "Red Fleet" and "Red Star," commented lengthily on the Washington conference as an example of the Anglo-American economic conflict under the impact of a dollar offensive.

Both papers pointed out how the United States is utilizing Britain's difficulties to her own advantage by capturing Britain's world markets, insisting on elimination of bilateral trade accords, taking over sources of strategic raw materials like rubber and tin, and, finally, considering participation in the control of the British bases at Singapore and Hong Kong.

The Red Fleet said: "Efforts of the British rulers to represent the Washington talks as a meeting of friends are intended to deceive public opinion."

"The talks did not open with cheerful prospects for the British. On the contrary, it will only bring further British enslavement to American monopolists and sharpen its economic crisis"—United Press.

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GERMANS TO ELECT FIRST PRESIDENT

Bonn, September 11.

The Christian Democratic delegates to tomorrow's Federal Convention tonight decided by an overwhelming majority to nominate the Free Democrat Party leader, Professor Theodor Heuss, for the Presidency of the West German Federal Republic.

Announcing the decision, the Christian Democratic leader, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, said that all but one of the 279 delegates had agreed to vote tomorrow for this nominee, irrespective of what other candidates they had originally favoured.

THIS HAS FAMILIAR SOUND

Duesseldorf, September 11. A German architect employed by the British Military Government in Wuppertal today founded a new right-wing political party called "The Circle of Friends of Otto Strasser," the leader of the anti-Nazi "Black Front," who is now in exile in Canada.

The founder of the new party, Herr Hans Gieseler, said that the party would fight for the return of Dr. Strasser, who has been denied permission to re-enter Germany by the Military Government because of his fundamentally undemocratic objectives.

Dr. Strasser was at one time a member of Hitler's Old Guard.

Herr Gieseler said that his party would welcome former Nazis but did not want men who had failed to fulfil their duties as soldiers in the late war.

The Friends of the Strasser Movement is closely linked with the League for German Revival.

Herr Gieseler said today: "It is a crime against humanity to carry on the persecution of former Nazis who had honestly fought for an ideal."

He said that one of the principal objectives of his new party would be the founding of a "Black Front" in Germany.

—Reuter.

Irish Treated As Full Members

Bilgwin Inn, Ontario, September 12.

The four Irish delegates to the Commonwealth Relations conference here are being treated as full members of the conference and are taking part in all confidential discussions, though Ireland has withdrawn from the Commonwealth.

Mr. Eamon Cosgrave, Chairman of the Irish Labour Party's Administrative Council, said today that the Canadian Institute of International Affairs had invited an Irish delegation before the Republic was declared on April 18. The invitation was renewed after its declaration, he added.

Mr. Cosgrave said, "The only remaining difference we have with the British is the partitioning of our country. We will take every opportunity to bring to the forefront the injustice perpetrated on Ireland by an act of the British Government."

Two delegates have already raised the partition question at the conference.

They said afterwards that there had been a greater appreciation of their problem.

The delegation will also present the Irish attitude on the North Atlantic Pact. They say it would be paradoxical if Ireland should be expected to join in a Pact which purports to guarantee the territorial integrity of all its participants, while their own country is partitioned by one of the Pact nations.—Reuter.

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The decision was reached after almost five hours of at-times bitter debate in which a minority pressed the claims of Dr. Hans Schlegel Schoeninger, the Christian Democratic Bizonal Director for Food and Agriculture. His result means that Dr. Schlegel's candidature is not likely to be presented tomorrow, and that Dr. Heuss stands a more-than-even chance of being elected in the first ballot.

Dr. Karl Arnold, the Christian Democratic Premier of North-Rhine Westphalia, who was elected President of the Bundestag, or the Upper House, last Wednesday, was also suggested by some speakers, but he made it clear that he was not a candidate for the Presidency.

According to participants in the meeting, Dr. Adenauer told the opponents of Dr. Heuss that support of any other candidate would wreck the chances of a right wing Coalition with the Free Democrats and only do the work of the Socialist Opposition.

It is considered likely that the Social Democratic delegation at its meeting tomorrow morning will nominate the Socialist leader, Dr. Kurt Schumacher, as its candidate.

The choice of a President takes place here tomorrow afternoon.

Secret Ballot

The delegates to the Federal Convention will number 804—the 402 members of the Bundestag, or the Lower House, and the 402 delegates from the State Parliaments.

Dr. Erich Kocher, Speaker of the Bundestag, will be in the chair. The election will be done by secret ballot without a debate. The Constitution bars a debate on the candidates in order to protect the future holder of the highest office in the State from becoming the subject of Party controversy.

If no candidate obtains an absolute majority in the first ballot, the procedure will be repeated a second and, if necessary, a third time.

On the third ballot, a relative majority is sufficient to secure election.

No Protection For Jews

The new German constitution offers no protection to Jews and the present social and political trend clearly demonstrates anti-Jewish feelings, Morbert Wollenheim, chairman of the Jewish Communities of the British Zone of Germany, said today.

Mr. Wollenheim said the Jews of Germany are helpless even under the German constitution.

"My friends and I are deeply depressed about the number of happenings in Germany which clearly demonstrate anti-Jewish feelings."

"It was noticeable how glad the German press was about the victory of the Rightist parties over the Left. I tell my friends if they want to know what is going on in Germany to read foreign papers or listen to the BBC."

Neither the new German constitution nor an occupation statute include articles specifically designed to protect Jews, he said.

"After all that happened in Germany under the Nazis, it should be clear to the men in the government that something must be done to protect the Jews."

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Something Brewing In Germany

Stockholm, September 11. The Liberal evening newspaper "Expressen" said today: "There are many signs that something is brewing in West Germany."

In an editorial entitled: "German Rearmament," the paper added: "Many former officers of the Wehrmacht are being gathered into officers' clubs. Many have directly entered the service of the Western powers. The activities of certain prisoners of war associations do not seem altogether innocent."

"The German military have a thorough experience in arming secretly, and suspicions that certain preparations are going on for creating a counter-weight to the East Zone's people's police cannot be dismissed."—Ruter.

ROYAL WEDDING

Vienna, September 11.

Princess Elizabeth Charlotte of Habsburg, youngest daughter of Austria's last Emperor, Karl, will be married tomorrow to Prince Heinrich Karl of Liechtenstein at Castle Lignersbach, Liechtenstein.

Prince Heinrich Karl is a cousin of the present ruler of Liechtenstein.—Associated Press.

Scots Influence In London Fashions

London, September 12.

Digby Morton, London's slickest tailor, has gone all Scottish in his autumn collection, featuring plaids and Cairngorms and the tartan Bonnie Prince Charlie wore when he fled to France.

The designer, who comes from Ireland, drew many of his autumn fashion features from the Highlands. Kilt pins held pleated fringed shirts in place, silver skean thus, pierced felt berets and gaily coloured tartans made up day suits and afternoon dresses.

A new trend in the collection was the architectural line. Inspired by Digby Morton's early studies as an architect—clever cut backed by detail, such as the use of striped fabrics, for pockets to give a three dimensional appearance on a flat surface.

The designer followed the general tendency of autumn displays towards a straighter silhouette with movement to the left. A coat had a scarf effect repeated in a panel on the left side of the dress and a cocktail dress figured a floating panel of velvet and faile down the left hip.

The Scottish interest was seen in a gorgeous red, yellow, green knife-pleated skirt worn with a

deep red velvet jacket and matching plaid stole. The tartan was originally made about 1712 for followers of the Old Pretender, and Jacobites wore it as a secret sign of their loyalty to Prince Charles Edward, later known as Bonnie Prince Charlie.

Topcoats were light-fitting with huge Darton collars. A lovely brown wool coat with a high collar fitted over a simple brown wool dress with knife pleating from just below the bust to the hemline.

A red coat with a high astrakhan collar had one long astrakhan lapel and was worn with a matching fur hat with an eye veil of black lace. A sumptuous brown tie-silk suit had jet embroidery on the lapels and cuffs and edging on the jacket which cut in castelated fashion round the hips. A striped taffeta cocktail dress had only one sleeve.

Skirts were up again, about 14 inches from the ground.—United Press.

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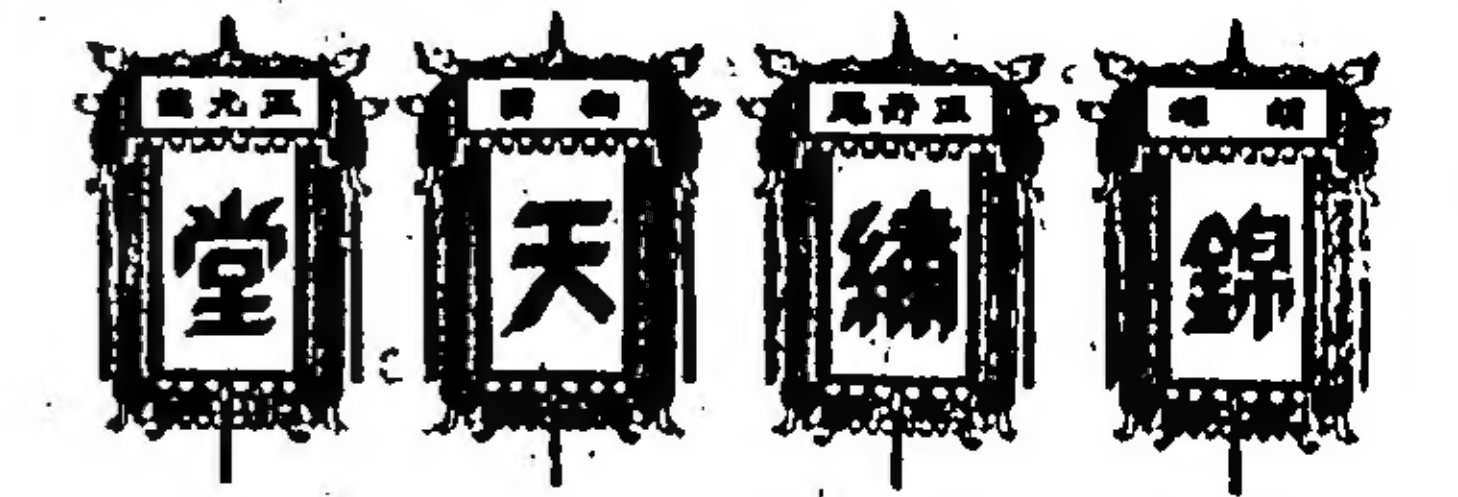
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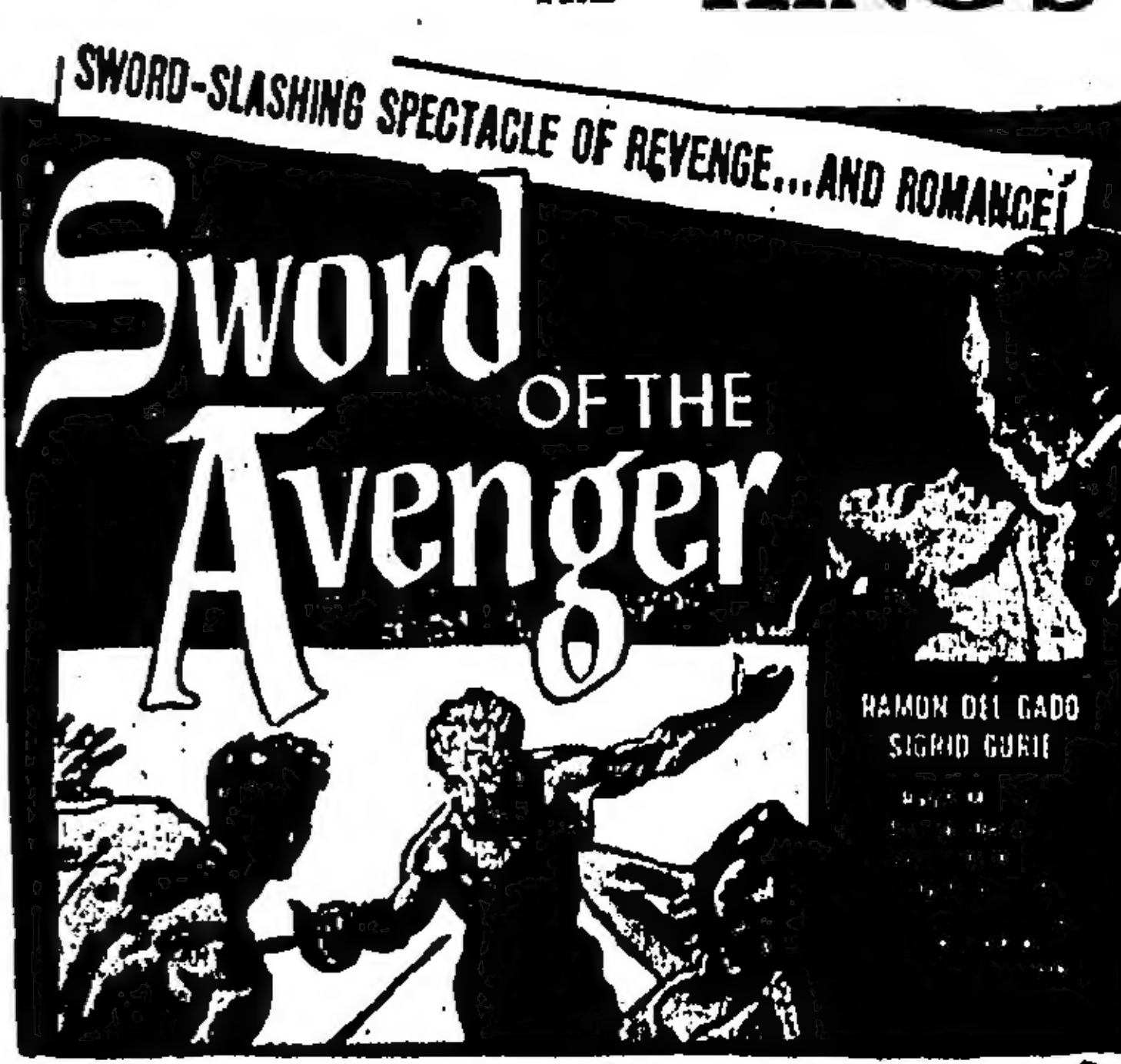
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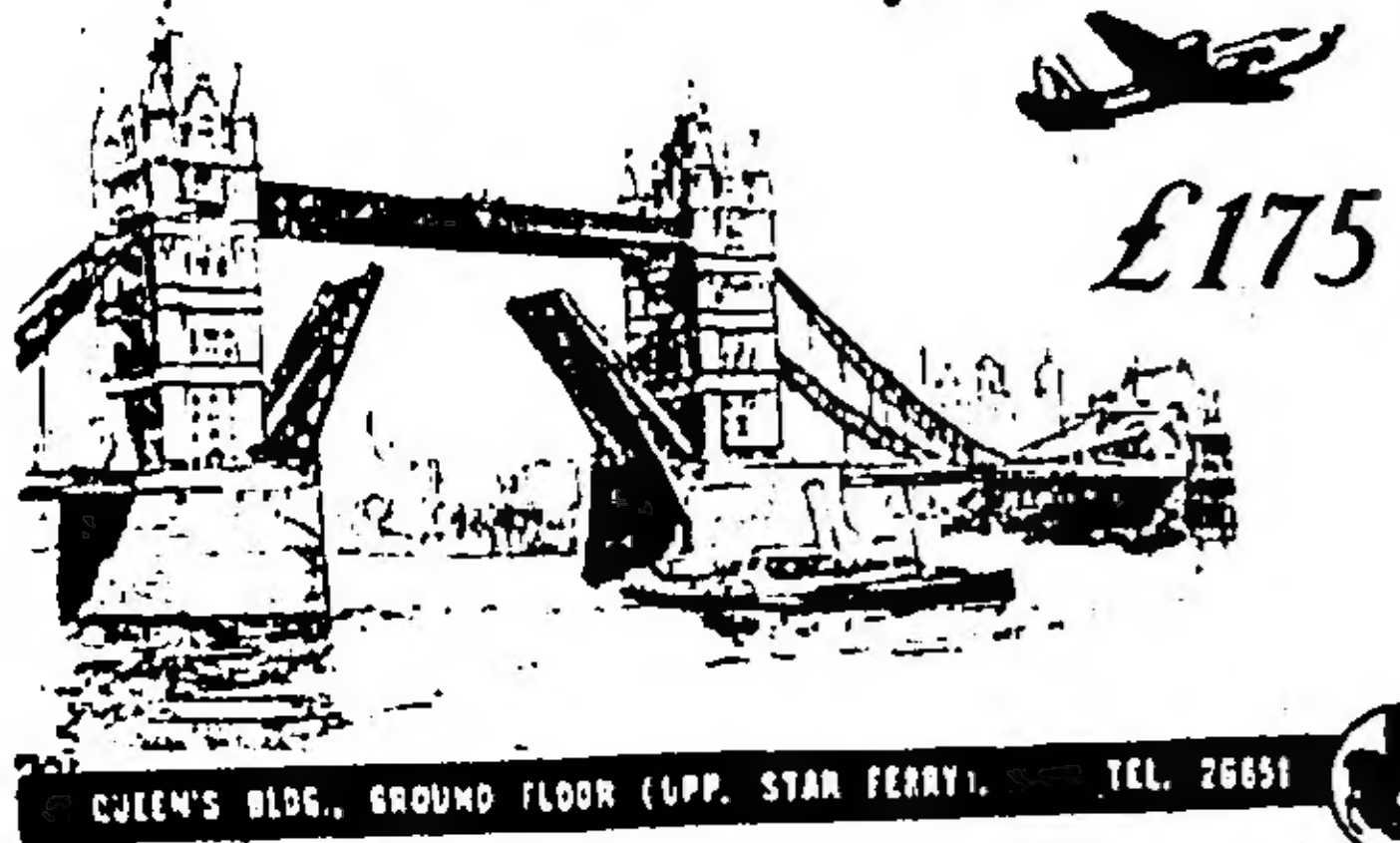
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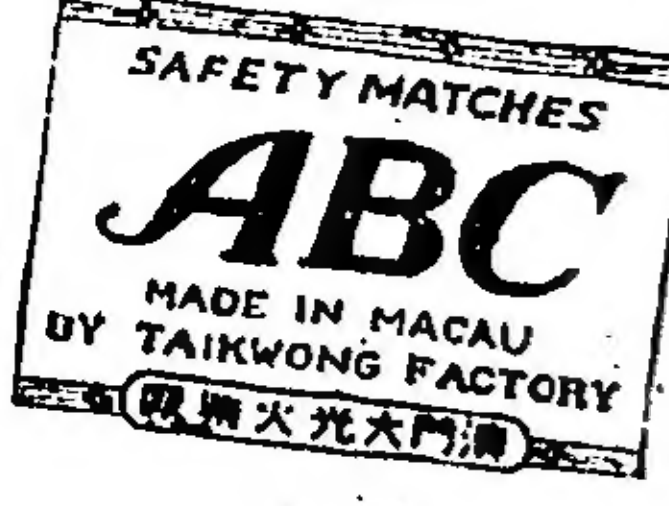
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TOTALITARIAN RIFT

The once freedom-loving Czechs seem to have gone completely over to the Moscow party line in their current denunciation of a fellow satellite, Yugoslavia. Perhaps it is natural. The prisoner reverts seeing his neighbour successfully break from his chains. The Kremlin must indeed be putting on the pressure, and it would not be surprising to see a purge throughout middle Europe of the few semi-liberals left.

Never has Stalin followed a Nazi original more exactly than in his latest dealings with Yugoslavia. There have been the same hysterical accusations of bad faith, the same insistence that Russian Nationals were being persecuted, and stern warnings that strong measures would be taken to ensure their protection.

Rumours have circulated of significant troop movements on the border, although most responsible observers do not believe that actual warfare is likely at the moment.

It is obvious that the Communist constellation is not wheeling in the ordered orbits it was intended to follow. Yugoslavia is not the only star with a tendency to eccentricity; there are sufficient troubles in several satellites to make them candidates for disintegration. Albania might easily follow Tito's lead, and then Russia's foothold in the Adriatic would be lost. In both Bulgaria and Hungary it has been necessary to arrest influential Communist leaders, and Czechoslovakia is notoriously in serious economic difficulties.

One way and another, Moscow is faced with the necessity of doing something about Tito, who is habitually referred to as a "fascist lunatic," and a subservient tool of "Anglo-American imperialism."

It is ironic that despite this deliberate whipping-up of war hysteria by the Kremlin, the masquerade of so-called peace rallies continues. Here, too, the Nazi parallel holds. Hitler was able to bring poor dupes from the countries he intended to attack to Germany and persuade them that his intentions were wholly pacific. Now we have individuals like the "Red" Dean of Canterbury mouthing platitudes about the only threat of war coming from the West. He has even gratified his Soviet heroes by talking happily about the "failure" of the recruiting campaign in Britain.

The danger is that the Kremlin may attach undue significance to the vapourings of totally unrepresentative persons like Dr. Hewlett Johnson. The facts are that people all over the British Commonwealth, as well as elsewhere in the free world, regard Stalin's policy as deliberately provocative and belligerent.

It is sincerely to be hoped, however, that they do not allow their sympathies for a victim of aggression to becloud their minds about Tito. He is just as much a totalitarian and just as much an enemy of democracy as Stalin is, and it might be highly dangerous for the West to be deluded into thinking otherwise.

The capital of the Commonwealth of Australia has been called "the child of a loveless union between Sydney and Melbourne."

There is at least a negative truth in this attribution. Either parent was ill and willing (had the other agreed) to fill the coveted role. But there was a long story of rival claims which neither would or could waive. Honours might conceivably have been divided, as elsewhere between Capetown and Pretoria, but a reciprocal veto was probably the wiser course.

Canberra is slowly growing to maturity, with the help of politicians, civil servants, diplomats, handsome public buildings—and not much else, as yet. But its future greatness is amply foreshadowed in a ground-plan which distributes a population of under 20,000 in small packets, over an area equal, in length, to the distance from Hampstead to Clapham Common and, in width, from Chelsea to St. Paul's.

Whether or not the screening

Heat Wave Means Crime Wave

By ex-Det.-Sup.
ROBERT FABIAN,
New Scotland Yard

While the British people are on their holidays, Scotland Yard's "Big Four" keep their fingers crossed. Every summer in the holiday period there are murders to solve, and the men of the Yard are all too used to returning from their too brief holidays to deal with the new problem.

In the past few days, there have been three murders and a number of gun hold-ups. Crime is always spasmodic, but the public can be excused for believing that heat wave equals crime wave.

In fact, it has just been reported that major crime is down for the first part of the year by 15 per cent on last year, but with the cases of Daisy Willis, killed in her office in High Holborn, and Mrs. Bridget Morley, found strangled in her bed at Greenwich, before then, the Yard can take little rest.

No detective goes on leave unless he has a "clean book." If he cannot finish his case before his leave is due, he just does not go. Public protection is the first consideration.

When a detective goes on leave he has to:

1. Leave his address and telephone number.
2. Sign a declaration that all his cases are clear.
3. Hold himself in readiness for a call in case of emergency.

Every senior detective officer is entitled to 36 days' leave in a year. They rarely take it all at once, and at the most are only away for two or three weeks at a time.

The work of Chief Supt. George Hatherill can be likened to that of a news editor of a newspaper, because it is he who hands out the confidential and sometimes difficult inquiries to his team of experts.

At the moment he is on holiday in South Belgium for a couple of weeks. His chief interests over there are old manuscripts, medieval buildings and architecture. At the present moment he is probably wandering around some old chateau exploring the past and trying to forget crime.

Supt. Nat. Thorp, Chief of Scotland Yard's Fraud Squad, has had a very hard year. It includes inquiries which led up to the Lynxey Tribunal, and a dozen more intricate and difficult City fraud cases. His hobby is cruising. When he can he spends all his spare time down on the sea in his big motor cruiser.

Supt. Wm. Shapman, Chief of the Yard's famous Flying Squad, is a devoted family man. With his six grandchildren, Mr. Shapman likes to get away to the seaside. He is always there with his powder and magnifying glass, picking out fingerprints. When off duty he spends his time fishing or on his allotment.

Supt. Fred Cherrill, fingerprint expert, rarely takes a holiday. As a specialist, Cherrill is rung up at all hours of the night whenever a major crime occurs. He is always there with his powder and magnifying glass, picking out fingerprints. When off duty he spends his time fishing or on his allotment.

Supt. Duncan, chief of the Yard's Criminal Record Office, carries in his head the identities and characters of most of London's important crooks. His officers bring in dozens of cards with photos, names and records of the criminals as they come into police hands. Holidays? Not very often, and then generally to take part in police bowls matches or to coach a police team.

AUSTRALIA'S PARLIAMENT AT CANBERRA

By Sir GILBERT CAMPION

The capital of the Commonwealth of Australia has been called "the child of a loveless union between Sydney and Melbourne."

Academic Seclusion

In this rural setting—beautiful by gardens and avenues of flowering trees, and encircled by distant blue hills—one still feels that it is the business of a great nation which is being conducted. The seclusion of Canberra is not academic. But, when the empty spaces have been filled in, Canberra will have lost much of its attraction.

Parliament House faces North-East with an open view over lawns and flower-beds. Both Chambers are arranged so that the benches near the Chair face each other, while those further away are curved into a semi-circle facing the Chair. Members sit two by two, each with a red carpet and a share of a desk. The Labour Party occupy all the seats on the Speaker's right. On the Opposition side, the Liberals sit near the Chair facing the Government, the Country Party further down in their segment of the curve below the transverse gateway. At present the room is open to the public, the Diplomatic and Distinguished Strangers' Galleries are actually on the floor of the House, divided by a cord from the seats of members. The clerks are wigged and gowned, but when he is a Labour nominee, not the Speaker. This is doubtful psychology. An umpire's uniform counts for something in the respect; he is paid. It may also help to remind him that he is not a player.

Orally answered questions are a recent development. They began under the Premiership of Mr. Lyons, and have been encouraged by Mr. Chifley. It is said, to keep Ministers "on their toes." The procedure differs from that of the House of Commons in that all questions answered orally are asked without notice. Questions are asked freely by members on both sides of the House, and 20 or 30 may rise at a time. The Speaker calls in turn from either side, and divides the Opposition share between the Liberals and the Country Party.

which are designed to distinguish genuine questions from propaganda.

After question hour, and before the House gets on to the business of the day, the adjournment of the House may be moved "to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance." If in the Speaker's view the test is satisfied, and the support of not fewer than five members is forthcoming, the motion takes immediate precedence of other business. It may be discussed for two hours, but is often cut short by the closure after a couple of speeches on each side. This useful relaxation of the rigidity of the pre-arranged programme is more frequently resorted to than at Westminster.

It is moved on an average once a week, and even such chronic emergencies as "The Rabbit Menace" are not disallowed. The Senate at present consists of 36, six from each of the States and the House of Representatives of 75. As the House has become too small for good representation, it has been decided to increase its numbers.

The Constitution provides that the House shall be approximately twice the size of the Senate, and also provides for the increase of the latter. So the goal of increasing the size of the House (which is necessary) has had to be approached by the device of increasing the size of the Senate (which might have been spared); and at the general election to be held this year the seats in the Senate and in the House will number 60 and 124 respectively.

This is expected to produce some of the problems of congestion of business with which we are so familiar and some reform of the procedure of the House, possibly the delegation of Bills to standing committees, is contemplated.

Eases Pressure

Besides giving better representation, a larger House is more likely to produce larger Government majorities, and therefore to ease the pressure on the Speaker to vote as a party member in support of the Government.

But the party-dependence of the Chair is also bound up with the tightness of party discipline, especially in the Labour Party. The Speaker is expected by all parties to vote as a party man in committee. For refusing to vote in a critical division Speaker Groom, not a Labour Speaker, was opposed in his constituency and driven out of Parliament by his own party.

This is, of course, poles apart from the position in the House of Commons, where the Speaker is expected, and sets himself scrupulously, to sever every tie which might look like binding him to his former party.

Perhaps the Australian (male) is unusually careless of appearances and impatient of traditional restrictions. Anyhow, there is no generally accepted Canberra convention which restricts the activities of the Speaker when he is out of the Chair. He may, if he likes, make way for his deputy, step down on to the floor, and help to knock up a score for his side.

But when he steps up again and is called on for a ruling—then it is a different story altogether. He is an umpire again, uniform or no uniform. That it may be possible to combine strict impartiality in the Chair with open partisanship out of the Chair need not be disputed. But perhaps, human nature being what it is, there is something also in the British idea that impartiality, like justice, should not only exist, but should manifestly and in all circumstances be seen to exist.

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Jet Craft For Regular Air Routes

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Greek Rebels Flee: Now Watch Out!

By KEITH BUTLER

In a four days' lightning offensive the Greek Army has completely smashed the Communist guerrillas main fortified base in the Vitsi mountains.

For three years the guerrillas had held this mountain triangle North of Katerina and East of Florina, in the right angle formed at the Prespa Lakes by the Albanian and Yugoslav frontiers. For months they had prepared elaborate fortifications of concrete, logs and earth, covered by deep minefields, inside the labyrinth of jagged mountain peaks.

Vitsi was reckoned impregnable, more than any other guerrilla stronghold more than the Grammos, which is the next objective of the Greek Army.

This is why the Greek Army's complete annihilation of the 7,000 well-dug-in guerrillas in the Vitsi within the space of four days has astounded both the guerrillas and the Greek General Staff, and the British and American military observers.

Forecasts Belied

All the forecasts of the experts were belied. The Greek General Staff had expected about a campaign lasting several weeks. The Greek Army had been lying for more than a week with high fevers of unknown origin. Commander-in-Chief General Alexander Papagos studies reports of the front between the guerrillas and the Greek Army.

The first full reports of the blow inflicted on the guerrillas were the best medicine he could have had. Total Greek casualties were only 750 officers and men, of whom 136 were killed. The guerrillas had lost 989 killed and 429 captured and surrendered.

Huge quantities of guerrilla war equipment left by them in their flight included 31 field and mountain guns, 20 anti-tank guns, 3 anti-aircraft guns, 359 machine-guns of various types, 44 mortars, 1,500 mines and 1,000 rounds of artillery ammunition. Government forces did not succeed in the most important task of all—the cutting off and destruction of the whole concentration of 7,000 guerrillas in the pocket. Some 4,000 guerrillas succeeded in withdrawing—some in good order with all their weapons—into Albania.

General Papagos is a hard leader. He demands efficiency and success from every officer and man. The failure to cut the guerrillas' retreat route into Albania was mainly the fault of the Greek Army 9th Division.

The hold-up in the 9th Division's advance cost General Papagos the capture of the whole Vitsi garrison of some 7,000 guerrillas.

In the middle of the operations the Commander of the Division and his two deputies were summarily dismissed and replaced by officers who overcame the resistance. But it was too late for the cutting of the guerrillas' escape road.

The keys to the Greek Army's Vitsi victory were the Grammos and surprise. Some 3,000 Greek Commandos were spear-headed some four miles deep into the guerrilla lines.

The surprise came in spite of the fact that the Vitsi guerrillas had been alerted since July 20, after they had been warned to stand by to expect the Greek Army attack. The Government forces launched a big-scale feint attack against the Grammos strong-hold.

Another Greek Army mistake this time helped to convince the

guerrilla high command that the Grammos attack was the real thing. Two Greek Army battalions fell into unsuspected minefields and guerrilla defensive networks and suffered hundreds of casualties before they extricated themselves.

Again the Papagos "iron hand" was felt and the commanders were replaced. But this time the guerrillas were so deceived as to bring Albania to the Grammos while leaving the Vitsi without further support. While one and a half Greek Army Division carried on the feint attack on the Grammos, over five Divisions were being deployed for the attack on the "impregnable" Vitsi mountain fortress. When the attack was launched on August 10, the Vitsi garrison was wearied by their prolonged alert and were caught completely by surprise.

Air Bombardment

The guerrillas in the Grammos will now inevitably be greatly disheartened and shocked by the rapid crumbling of the Vitsi defences. Within a few days the Greek Army will have regrouped to launch an immediate follow-up attack on the Grammos.

Meanwhile the guerrilla command will be racing to reft and transfer to the Grammos the remnants of the defeated Vitsi garrison. The Greek bombardment of the Grammos will be intensified by the 49 American "Hell Diver" dive-bombers which have arrived on an American aircraft-carrier within the last few days.

But since the Vitsi, no military expert is prepared to place any bets on how quickly the Greek Army will crack the guerrilla resistance in the Grammos with supply and reinforcement bases directly at its back across the Albanian frontier. What will become white-hot is the tension over accusations of frontier violations by both Greeks and Albanians.

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The Star Strangled Planners. Americans are reported to have now "written off the great Chinese empire."

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Now, look, Ta old boy, the in-judicious slipping in of the old slogans can get you into the most terrible trouble...

Start what they finish? "The Federal Bureau of Investigation gets things done for democracy."

Tang En-po, who defended Shanghai to the last, is now busy defending Amoy to the last, after which there is still Swatow to be defended to the last.

Red Heaven? A few Barzov the Internationalists might be appropriate...

No honey either. The Leong Bee may be long returning to this hive of blockade-runners.

When a British official makes a protest about a Panamanian ship chartered to a China company carrying goods to Communist China, there would appear to be cogwheels within cogwheels.

On the proposal to export Pakistan bagpipes to Scotland. Will we have such things in our own dear old Scotland? Pakistan pipes for our Highland men? Second sighted Sandy will screech, will he? When he hears about what they plan the day.

And say, will they pipe the baggies in the a pipe skirled by some Gunga Doo? Ah! fearin' it's fashed the laird will get When he lists to the tweeters frae far Tibet!

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ANGLO-U.S. TALKS ON FAR EASTERN POLICY

Anti-Communist Front To Be Discussed HONG KONG'S POSITION

WASHINGTON, SEPTEMBER 11. THE TRUMAN ADMINISTRATION'S NEW ANTI-COMMUNIST POLICY IN THE FAR EAST WILL BEGIN TO TAKE FINAL FORM HERE IN A CONFERENCE OPENING ON TUESDAY BETWEEN THE SECRETARY OF STATE, MR. DEAN ACHESON, AND THE BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARY, MR. ERNEST BEVIN.

It was learned today that Mr. Acheson will ask British views and co-operation on at least four major points of new American strategy in the Far East. Firm American decisions may be delayed until he learns Mr. Bevin's ideas and the extent to which Britain will co-operate.

Mr. Bevin, on his part, may raise with Mr. Acheson the question whether—if the British Government has to cut costs—the United States will be willing to pick up some of the chips which Britain has heretofore played in Asia.

U.S. MAY HELP UK IN EAST

Washington, September 11. The United States is expected to begin a full-scale review this week to see if it can help ease Britain's dollar crisis by taking over some of her Far Eastern military obligations.

The subject came up at the American-British-Canadian money talks now in progress here but no final decisions were possible, because of the time limitation and possible far-reaching consequences of such action.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, and the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, are expected to go into the matter in more detail this week when they review the overall international situation, and recent developments in the cold war with Communism.

Mr. Acheson and Mr. Bevin are said to be agreed that India is the key to peace in Asia and the chief obstacle to further spread of Communism in that part of the world.

Their problem now is what if anything can be done to contain Communism in the Far East within the present bounds.

John Snyder, U.S. Treasury Secretary, and the British Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, are attending the annual meeting of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund which starts on Tuesday.—United Press.

MORGENTHAU IN HOSPITAL

New York, September 11. Mr. Henry Morgenthau, former Secretary of the United States Treasury, and his wife have both been taken to hospital and Mrs. Morgenthau's condition was tonight described as serious.

A hospital spokesman said Mr. Morgenthau, who is 58, is being treated for suspicion of pneumonia. His condition is good. The nature of Mrs. Morgenthau's illness was not stated.—Reuter.

No Trip To Heaven By Aeroplane

London, September 11. You cannot get to heaven by plane, British philosopher, Dr. W. R. Inge, warned today.

The 89-year-old ecclesiastic, who was Dean of St. Paul's Cathedral for 23 years until 1934, told worshippers there that heaven is a religious symbol—not a super-physical world that can be reached in a plane.

He declared: "When we try to think of Heaven we are obliged to think of it in time and space. Because of the limitation of our senses, our picture of the external world is like the impression of a tune picked out on a piano on which half the keys are dumb."

Dr. Inge's sermon marked the 15th anniversary of his leaving St. Paul's.—Associated Press.

Tolls In Suez Too Stiff

Washington, September 11. The National Federation of American Shipping reported today that it has supported the request of British shipowners for a reduction of Suez Canal tolls, which are at present costing American shipowners about \$55-60,000 a year.

In a request to Somerville Pinkey, American representative on the Directorate of the Suez Canal Company, to present the American viewpoint to his associates on the board, the Federation called attention to the increase in traffic at Suez, the prospective increase in transits notwithstanding the completion of projected Mediterranean pipeline, and the current earning record and prosperous financial position of the Canal Company.

The Federation request further stated: "According to full recognition to the private corporate nature of the Suez Company, but emphasizing its avowed policy that shipowners and shareholders should jointly benefit from its increasing prosperity, we should like to suggest to you as the American Director that in fairness and equity under this policy, a reduction in Suez tolls would be justified at the present time."

"We join with the General Council of British Shipping in the hope and expectation that the Company will not fail to maintain a policy giving due consideration to the interests of its clients and with consequent advantage to itself by keeping its charges adjusted to a basis which reflects the 'interest of both parties'."

In a subsequent communication calling the matter to the attention of the U.S. Council of the "International Chamber of Commerce, the Federation noted that from the period prior to World War II American flag steamship transits of the Suez Canal have increased nearly tenfold until they now equal between 15 and 20 per cent of Suez transits.—Associated Press.

A Big Week

Their talks in turn will be among the highlights of one of Washington's biggest weeks as the power centre of the Western, anti-Communist world.

The week's opening move is to be American-British-Canadian agreement on immediate steps to take the financial pressure off Britain. The start of the Bevin-Acheson talks on Tuesday is contingent on the completion of the financial conference on Monday but officials said that is reasonably certain.

Also, on Tuesday the World Bank and International Monetary Fund begin their annual meetings here on issues basic to the economic health of the West. Russia does not belong to these agencies.

At the week-end Foreign Ministers of the 11 Atlantic Pact powers will hold here their first session as the "Council" of the Atlantic Alliance.—Associated Press.

REDS RATTLING THE SABRE: WEST ACCUSED

Moscow, September 11. Official newspapers today accused the Western powers of brandishing atomic weapons as they prepare for a new war and re-assured the Russian people that "we have armed forces on which we can rely."

Marshal Semyon Bogdanov, chief of the Soviet armoured forces, wrote a provocative article in the Communist organ "Pravda" as Russia celebrated "Tank Day."

"The Russian people cannot forget for one minute that the imperialists are preparing a new war and brandish atomic weapons which incidentally can frighten only those with weak nerves," he said.

"The great patriotic war has sufficiently and convincingly proved that our people have never suffered from weak nerves. We have armed forces on which we can rely."

Bogdanov claimed that Russia produces more and better tanks than anyone else in the world and disclosed that a group of designers recently won the Stalin prize for creating a brand-new type of tank.

The Defence Minister, Alexander Vasilevsky, began today's celebration by ordering 20 artillery salutes fired in Moscow and 15 other Soviet cities.

Orators stressed that Russia invented the tank and produced bigger and better tanks during the war than any other nation. They said Russia still maintains that advantage.

So That's How It Was Done

All newspapers carried a large front-page portrait of Premier Josef Stalin, whom "Pravda" hailed as "teacher, mentor of the glorious construction of Soviet constructors and trainees of the superlative cadres of the fighting tank."

Colonel-General Polubokarov told the "Izvestia": "Comrade Stalin personally examined the project for each new tank and gave the designers' instructions. When any other country in the world built tanks with thick armour, powerful guns and diesels, Stalin sat down to the task—to design precisely such machines—and so it was done."—United Press.

CRITICISM OF MACDONALD

Manila, September 12. The "Manila Times" editorial today criticised the British Commissioner General for South East Asia, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, for his alleged proposal to alleviate the lot of the masses so that they would not be susceptible to the blandishments of Communism.

The "Times" said: "We submit that Mr. MacDonald is putting the cart before the horse. It should make no difference whether the masses are vulnerable to Communism, Zoroastrianism, Shintoism, nudism or any other kind of 'ism'. The masses of the world have been bearing a heavy load throughout history. Now another 'ism' extends a promise to the masses."

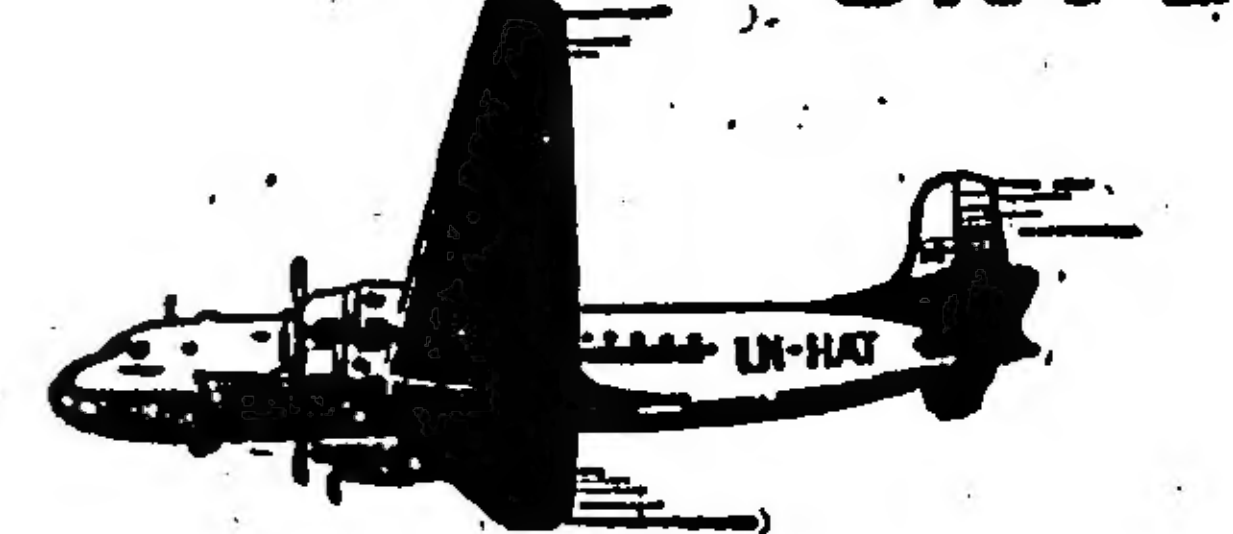
"It may be an illusory promise. The fact that this particular 'ism' is fundamentally wrong does not mean that combating it must be the main reason for easing the masses. It is a rather sad commentary on the way of thinking these days if it is the notion that easing that burden is a means to an end rather than the end itself."—United Press.

NEWSPAPERS TO BE PROSECUTED

Helsinki, September 11. The Finnish Minister of Justice is to prosecute three Communist newspapers here for publishing articles alleged "to insult the Government."

The papers, the "Työnnäsan Sanomat," the "Vapari Sana" and the "Ny Tio," accused the Government of "terrorist methods" after 10 workers had been killed in a clash between strikers and police last month.—Reuter.

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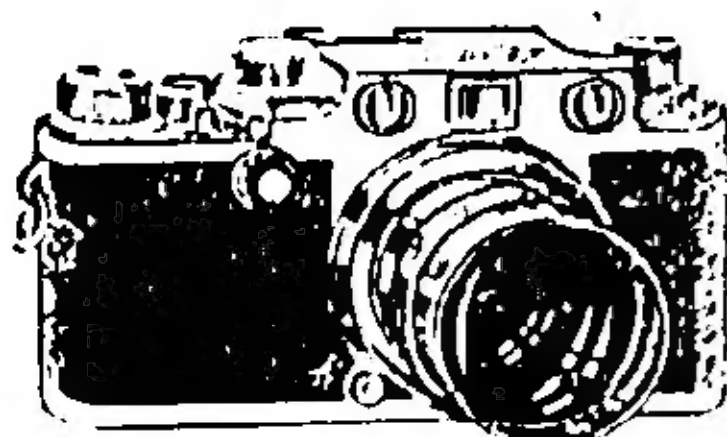
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ACHESON CHALLENGED ON CHINA STATEMENT

Washington, September 11.
Senator Millard Tydings (Democrat) today branded
as totally untrue the Secretary of State's state-
ment that the Chinese Nationalist armies had
surrendered large quantities of American
arms to the Communists.
Senator Tydings also disputed Mr. Dean Acheson's
claim that lack of American arms aid had
cost the Nationalists no battles in their ill-
fated campaign.

AMERICA ACCUSED BY REDS

Shanghai, September 11.
The Communist New China
News Agency today accused the
United States of participating
directly in the Chinese civil
war and said the Communist
armies would take Taiwan and
all of China no matter what
obstacles are put in the way.
The Agency, in a Nanjing re-
port published in the newspaper,
"Jin Min Pao," said the former
American military advisory group
had guided the Chinese National-
ist forces in the defence of Shanghai
and directed other war efforts.
It said the U.S. had rushed
more than 100,000 shells from
Okinawa to China for the defence
of Hsichow and Fengpu, North
of Nanking, and the American
advisers were constantly stationed
in Hsichow during the battles
for North and Central China.
The report, replying to the
Secretary of State, Mr. Dean
Acheson's, statement in the recent
China White Paper that the
Americans were not involved
directly, said:
"There were too many such
examples of Americans' direct
participation in the Chinese civil
war. That's what Acheson called
'friendly' friendship."—United
Press.

Bevin Has Lunch With Marshall

Washington, September 11.
The British Foreign Secretary,
Mr. Ernest Bevin, lunched today
as the former State Secretary,
George Marshall's, guest in the
latter's Leesburg, Virginia, home.
They spent the afternoon in-
formally discussing world affairs
with the account, it was under-
stood, on the situation in Asia,
especially India and China.
Observers said while this was
informal and private, it may add
importance to this week's talks
that Mr. Bevin will begin with the
United States State Department on
international affairs.
Many persons feel that
General Marshall, as an elder
statesman, has much influence
in the State and Defence De-
partments.
Sir Stafford Cripps lunched with
the financial expert, Ted Acheson,
professor of George Washington
University and brother of the U.S.
Secretary of State.—United Press.

Political Clash In East End

London, September 11.
Over 100 police tonight
clashed with anti-Fascist de-
monstrators in Hackney, East
London. The police were pro-
tecting a march by supporters
of Sir Oswald Mosley's Union
Movement.
The Mosleyites had held a
meeting in Ridley Road, an East
End district with a large Jewish
population, which has been the
scene of a series of disturbances
since the end of the war.
Mounted police galloped along
Kingsland High Street, a busy
East End thoroughfare, to pre-
vent the demonstrators from
breaking through to Ridley Road.
Marchers shouting "Down with
Fascism!" were kept back by con-
stable. Some demonstrators were
driven away in police vans.
The police said that 12 people
had been detained and charged
after the clashes. A protest meet-
ing addressed by Communist
speakers later voted that "Fas-
cists should be banned in En-
gland."—Reuter.

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SO SORRY SAYS A JAPANESE

Caux-sur-Montreux,
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Kensuke Horinouchi, pre-war
Japanese Ambassador to Wash-
ington, told the Moral Re-armament
World Assembly here today "The
Japanese people all feel real sor-
row and responsibility for what
we did during the war to our fel-
low nations in Asia."
Japan has renounced war in her
new constitution, Mr. Horinouchi
said, but to carry out this con-
stitution "we must first of all
change our nature."
"A new era is coming in the
East," Mr. Horinouchi declared.
"Nine new nations have re-
ceived their independence, and all
a round there rages a fearful
ideological battle."
"Forever of ruthless materialism
are fighting to take over."
"Every leader sees this prob-
lem, but we see the answer."
"I find the only answer lies in
the ideological leadership of moral
re-armament."—Associated Press.

He added that his information
came from reliable sources and
was the best available.
The statement from the chair-
man of the Senate Armed Ser-
vices Committee and vice-chair-
man of the Special Committee
considering the administration's
US\$1,450,000,000 programme to
arm free nations against Com-
munist aggression came as a
complete surprise.
Mr. Tydings said he cast the
decisive vote on Friday against
a Republican attempt to earmark
\$175,000,000 of the arms aid bill
for China when the combined
Foreign Relations and Armed
Services Committees voted to
set aside \$75,000,000 for China
and stipulated that this should
be spent only as President Tru-
man saw fit.
The red-hot China issue comes
up tomorrow (Monday) for final
Committee review, but it is not
known whether Senator Tydings
will change his stand on the
aid bill.
"Exaggerated"
In his weekly broadcast over
Baltimore radio station, Senator
Tydings hit sharply at two major
portions of the Administration's
defence of its policy of "letting
the dust settle first" in China.
Without mentioning Mr.
Acheson by name, he took
issue with the stand adopted
by Secretary of State at the
Senate Foreign Relations Com-
mittee hearings and in his
White Paper on China.
Referring both to claims that
the Nationalist armies had lack-
ed no U.S. arms support and
that they turned American mili-
tary equipment over to their Red
foes, wholesale, Senator Tydings
said:
"According to the best in-
formation I can get, not only
from men like Admiral Badger
(Vice-Admiral Oscar Badger,
former F. E. Asia fleet com-
mander), but from other sources
that are reliable, this has been
an almost unbelievable extent."
"Fought Well"
"To create the picture in the
American mind that the Chinese
Nationalists just surrendered
willy-nilly without fighting is to
do the Nationalist army a great
diservice in the field of truth.
Quite often some of these armies
had little or no equipment."
"It is my belief that the Na-
tionalists, where they have been
equipped, have fought pretty
well."
Asked in a radio interview
what outcome he expects in the
Chinese civil war, Senator Ty-
dings replied: "It is pretty likely
that most of China will be, at
least temporarily, overrun by the
Communists and eventually they
may go even further, into French
Indo-China, into Burma, or per-
haps Malaya."
However, he indicated that
he hoped a counter-movement
would evolve from disintegra-
tion behind the Communist
lines.
"It is my belief that most
Chinese people, both on the Na-
tionalist and the Communist
sides, are pretty sick and tired
of this war," he added.
"I don't see any means of
stopping it immediately, but I
think the people of China would
like it stopped. If they could as-
sert their will."—United Press.

ARAB-SPANISH FRIENDSHIP

Madrid, September 11.
King Abdullah of Jordan told
journalists here today that he
wished "to thank the noble
Spanish people for their kind re-
ception."
"Arabs and Spaniards will al-
ways be friends," he declared.
Today, King Abdullah visited
the famous El Escorial Palace.
Tomorrow he will visit Granada
and Seville, scenes of Arab-
Spanish struggles after the Mos-
lem invasion of Spain.—Reuter.

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Madame Sun's Message To Henry Wallace

San Francisco,
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Helping Radio said tonight
that Madame Sun Yat-sen,
widow of the founder of the
Chinese Republic, had cabled
Mr. Henry Wallace, leader of
the American Progressive
Party, congratulating him on
his "magnificent leadership
for peace and international
co-operation."
Madame Sun's message
said: "China must answer
the clarion call sounded by
Dr. Sun Yat-sen to win com-
plete independence, uproot
colonialism and bury feudal-
ism."—Reuter.

MAJOR BATTLE IN BOLIVIA

La Paz, September 11.
Bolivian Government troops,
who have been fighting a
revolution for over two weeks,
have occupied the city of
Cobija, in the extreme North
West corner of the country.
A major battle, expected for
several days, has begun for
possession of Santa Cruz, Central
Bolivia, the last stronghold of the
rebels.
(Argentine reinforcements were
rushed to the Bolivian border
yesterday to prevent Bolivian
Loyalists or rebels retreating
across the frontier after the de-
cisive battle for Santa Cruz,
which is about 300 miles North of
the frontier.)—Reuter.

Quebec, September 11.
Rescue workers are still search-
ing today for two bodies from the
Canadian airliner which
crashed on Friday, killing 23 per-
sons.—Associated Press.

STILL TIME TO SAVE CHINA —CHEN LI-FU

Caux-sur-Montreux, September 11.
The Chinese Cabinet Minister without Portfolio,
Chen Li-fu, today told the World Assembly
for Moral Re-armament that there is still time
to save China.
American and patriotic Chinese leaders should sit
down at a conference table and map out a new
plan of action, he said.

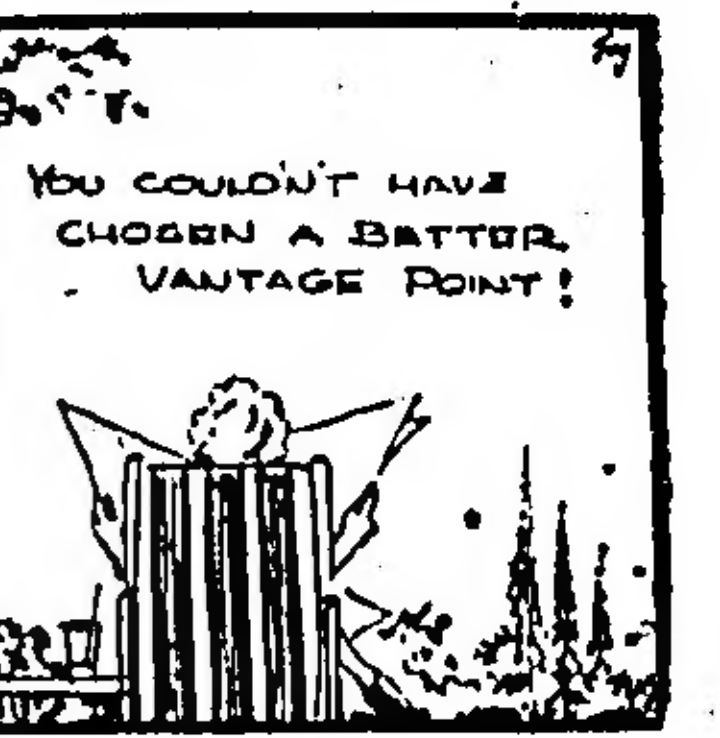
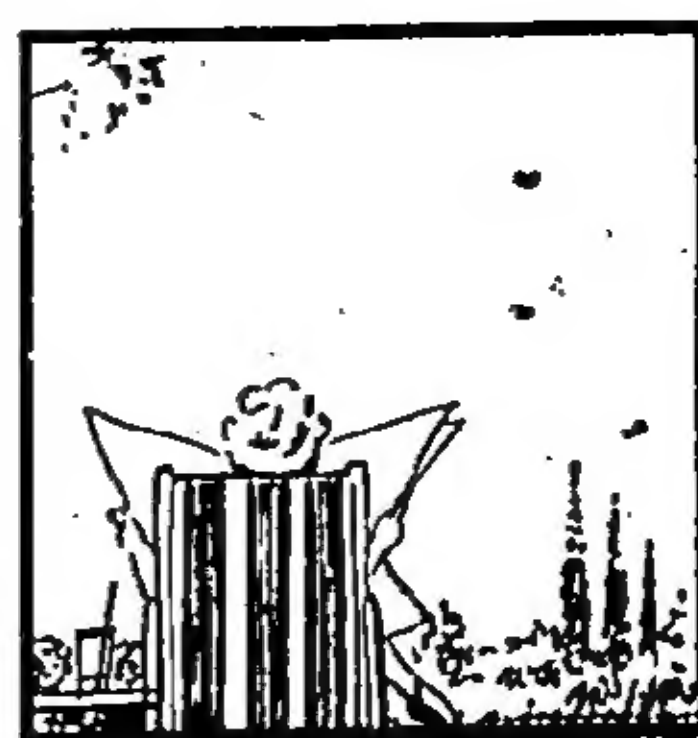
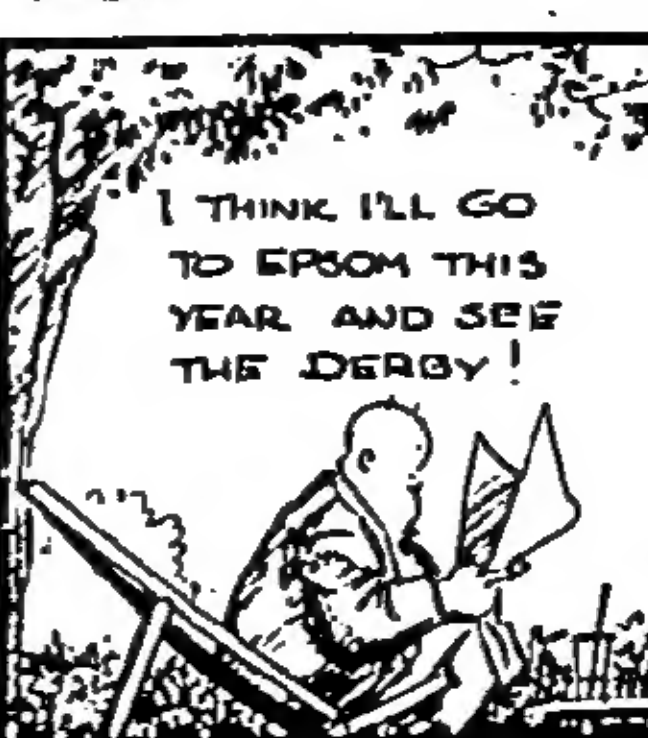
There is still time for America,
China and other democracies to
work together with moral courage
to save his country from Com-
munism, and thereby prevent a
complete disaster to Asia and the
world, he added.
The statement was the first
new proposal from a Nation-
alist Government official since
the critical United States De-
partment White Paper on China
was released in Washington.
Chen said that any new plan
for China, if it were to succeed,
must be based on the idea of a
complete change and ideological
moral rearmament.
"We all need a change and on
the basis of the change a new
Far Eastern policy can be fram-
ed," Chen said.
Chen referred to Communism
by saying: "Military materialism
will never satisfy our people."
"Already in conquered areas,
great masses of workers and
farmers are beginning to see
through the false promises of
the new tyranny."

"Countless refugees are coming
into Free China with tales of
terror and oppression at the hand
of the so-called liberators."
"Many others have risen in re-
volt behind the Communist
lines."
Any new plan by American
and Chinese leaders must be
economic and military dealing
with the urgent need of China
in the framework of broader
security for the Far East as a
whole, he stated.—United Press.

ARMS INDUSTRY IN EGYPT

Cairo, September 11.
The War Minister, Mohamed
Heldar Pasha, has announced the
completion of an Egyptian air-
craft fuselage factory, the news-
paper "Al Ahran" reported to-
day from Alexandria.
Heldar Pasha also was quoted
as saying new Egyptian ammu-
nition plants would start pro-
duction soon.—United Press.

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CZECH ACCUSATION:

TITO PLOTTING AN ANTI-SOVIET BLOC

Prague, September 11.

Czechoslovak Communists charged today that the alleged anti-Government plot revealed in Hungary was only part of a big scale scheme by Marshal Tito.

Tito wished to unite all the "people's Democracies" of Eastern Europe under his leadership against Russia.

These charges were made by "Rude Pravo", organ of the Czech Communist party.

The newspaper claimed that Tito schemed not only the assassination of various Hungarian government leaders, but also a military attack on Hungary's frontier.

"Rude Pravo" alleged that American imperialists supported Tito in his plan.

It said that anti-Soviet elements in the various satellite countries were to be the nucleus for these schemes.

The newspaper said that Marshal Tito's plan was outlined secretly in Budapest in October, 1948, by Alexander Rankovic, Marshal Tito's Minister of the

Interior, who was smuggled across the border into Budapest.

Murder Plot Alleged

There he met with one of the ring leaders, László Rajik, the newspaper charged. Rajik, one of the eight who goes on trial on September 16, was formerly Hungarian Minister of Interior, and was Foreign Minister until his recent arrest.

The alleged plot included a plan to assassinate Matyas Rakosi, the Hungarian Vice-Premier and head of the country's political party coalition.

Another high ranking official, Lieutenant-General Gyorgy Palffy, had been delegated to make preparations inside the army for the Hungarian Government's overthrow, "Rude Pravo" said, in an echo of official Hungarian statements on the edge.

Inside Czechoslovakia, friction between the State and the Roman Catholic Church continues.

Priests preached today on the opening of the new school year and told parents and children: "Catholicism must be the leading guide to life for the youth. Youth must disregard diversionist teachings."

Denunciation Of Communism

Their attack on education along Marxist-Leninist lines was undeterred by reports from Catholic sources that Czechoslovak police had arrested two priests, a seminary rector and two nuns in Eastern Bohemia.

One prisoner was identified as Father Ryky, secretary to 80-year-old Bishop Moric Pichai. The Bishop has said that he himself has been under police surveillance since last June.

Catholic pupils in the Prague archdiocese rang today with denunciations of Communism in answer to a call from Archbishop Josef Beran to his followers to pray for strength in the current State-Church dispute.

Archbishop Beran, a semi-prisoner in his palace, smuggled a sermon to many of his priests last Sunday, asking for special prayers and celebrations this Sunday to climax a week of religious homage to St. Mary.

According to reports from various Catholic churches, priests delivered blistering attacks on the Communists regime.

At the Church of Loreta, across the street from the Foreign Ministry, an unidentified priest, speaking from the balcony to the courtyard jammed with more than 600 persons, declared that more than 2,000,000 Catholics stand ready to oppose Communism. He also declared that persons who gave up their faith to join the Communist Party were "fools". Associated Press and United Press.

The Hague, September 12. Seventy airlines from 40 countries are to gather here for September 12-16 for the 30th anniversary meeting of the International Air Transport Association. Associated Press.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

H.K.T. P.M.

12.15-Religious Talk (Think on These Things) (BBC)

12.30-"Hong Kong Calling"-Daily Programme Summary.

12.45-Light Variety.

1.00-Albert Hilder Trio.

1.15-News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.25-"From the Shows".

2.00-Close Down.

6.00-"Hong Kong Calling"-Programme Summary.

6.02-Great Citizens-"Thomas Telford"-by Honor Wyatt. (BBC)

6.05-Broadcast for Schools. (BBC)

6.20-Duke Ellington and His Orchestra.

6.30-Continued by Radio-Given by Miss Lee Wai Lan and B.K.Lee (Studio).

6.50-Jack Smith and the Clark Sisters.

7.00-"American Letter"-by Allister Cooke (London Relay).

7.15-New Light Symphony Orchestra.

7.30-"Down Memory Lane"-Presented by Aileen Woods (Studio).

8.00-World News and News Analysis. (London Relay).

8.15-"The Green Box Duth Capers"-by Johnnie Sly. (Studio).

8.30-"The Blue Danube"-The True Story of the Strauss Family Controversy. A Musical Comedy. (From the Editorials) (London Relay).

9.10-Weather Report.

9.15-"Twenty Questions"-Question Master: Sgt. John Baker. (Studio).

9.40-London Studio Melodies-A Programme of Continuous Music by the Musicians.

10.10-"Come Into the Parlor"-by the MacDonald and Sons from Northern Ireland with Douglas Arnold.

10.30-Billy McCormack, Frank Shaw and His Band, David Curry and The Irish Rhythms.

10.40-Chanson Française. (London Relay).

11.00-Radio News Reel. (London Relay).

11.15-Weather Report and Summary.

11.30-Close Down.

H.K.T. A.M.

7.00-Up with the Sun.

7.15-Setting Up Exercises.

7.30-Musical Club.

7.45-Radio's Breakfast Reaction.

8.00-News and Weather Forecast.

8.15-Olympic Motors Programme.

8.30-Good Morning.

8.50-Tuesday's Music.

9.00-Morning Melody.

11.00-Music for All.

P.M.

12.30-Song of the Islands.

1.15-Time Time.

1.30-Interval Signal.

1.45-Light Music.

1.50-Swing.

1.55-News.

2.00-From the Shows.

2.05-Variety Calls the Tune.

4.15-Tropics.

4.30-Vocally Yours.

5.00-Music Makers.

5.15-Children's Corner.

5.30-Music Time.

6.00-Radio Headlines.

6.30-Music for Millions.

6.45-Richard Lila Singer.

7.00-Listen to Leibel (Gilman).

7.15-Concert Favorites (Churchman's No. 1 Classics).

7.45-The Super-Cola Programme.

8.00-BBC News.

8.15-The Stars Sing (Newell's).

8.30-Jelly Wags.

8.45-Weatherphone Show.

9.00-Dance Time-Tel. Heath.

9.15-Vincent Lopez (Premiere Concert).

9.30-Studio Dance Party.

10.00-BBC World News.

10.15-Local News.

10.30-Paris Cabaret Music.

11.00-Broadcast.

11.15-Soft Lights and Sweet Music.

Midnight. Close Down.

GOTTWALD DEMANDS UNITY

Prague, September 11.

Clement Gottwald, the Czechoslovak President, speaking at a meeting today, appealed to Czechoslovak miners for the United Front unity which characterised their "great gains" in 1932.

"We need that unity for the protection of our achievements against enemies who would like to undermine the power of our people and to throw us back into capitalist slavery," the President said.

Speaking to workers in the largest coal-mining area of Kravina today, Rudolf Slansky, Secretary-General of the Czechoslovak Communist Party, said that imperialists are looking for aid wherever they thought they could get it, including the Vatican.

"Why did the Pope not excommunicate Hitler, Himmler and Frank?" he added.

Frank had killed all the men of Lidice, including the Catholic priest, Slansky said.

He continued: "Why do they want to excommunicate the Communists who deserve most in the fight for the liberation of our Republic? We have deprived nobody of his religion."

"We have taken the mines, forests, factories and banks from the capitalists, the land from the big estate owners and bishops and have given these riches to the working people—and the bishops just want to take all this from the people again to return it to the capitalists."—Reuter.

TAUNTON PRAYS FOR RAIN

Taunton, September 11. Prayers for rain were offered in churches here today as the water shortage resulting from protracted drought reached a critical stage.

The Reverend Heaton Renshaw, who led his congregation in prayer for rainfall, urged them in his sermon to "go easy" on what little water was left. Civil authorities supported his plea with an order limiting the people of the Taunton area to two baths weekly.—Associated Press.

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"TJISADANE" 15th Sept.	
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"BOISSEvain" 5th Nov.	18th Oct.
"STRAAT SOENDA" 30th Nov.	

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"STRAAT SOENDA" 30th Nov.	

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

U.S. AUTUMN BUSINESS OFF TO GOOD START

New York, September 11.

The early autumn business season got off to a favourable start this week despite highly unsettled labour conditions.

At the week-end came a momentous labour decision, that of the President's fact-finding board's rejecting a fourth round wage increase in the steel industry but recommending a pension plan.

The fact finders said both sides had presented sound arguments to it, but it bore down especially heavily on profits figures submitted by Congress of Industrial Organizations' economist, Robert R. Nathan.

Whether the recommendations would avert a steel strike due for Wednesday was not known. Living costs have declined, the board found, and the race between wages and living costs has been checked in recent months. Roughly, the board said, there should be an end now to post-war wage increases.

Prapped at every strategic point by a hefty display of strength in seasonal lines, the overall economic picture at the moment rate commendation, only from business analysts, but such Washington highlights as the Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Charles Sawyer, Dr. Edwin G. Nourse, chief White House economic adviser, chairman McCabe of the Federal Reserve Board, and even Mr. Truman himself.

Figures Speak

When the President said: "The figures speak for themselves," he was talking about such things as the improvement in the national employment situation from July to August, a sharp upturn in industrial production in the same period, a halt in the mild decline in personal incomes noted in July, reliable evidence that commodity prices were entering an area of stability after months of downward zig-zagging, high level retail sales and a general disposition on the part of business to replenish inventories all along the line.

While an extremely cautious attitude toward the longer term trends was maintained on all sides, it seemed fairly well agreed that business had at least a 50-50 chance of keeping a healthy glow through most of the final quarter of the year unless a barrage of crippling strikes results from the current struggle between labour and management over fourth round wage demands and a variety of social security benefits.

Labour Troubles

The labour pot was ready to boil over, fired by such hot potatoes as the steel dispute, the repeated outbreaks of violence in the Bell Aircraft strike at Buffalo, and complete immobilisation of the Great Missouri-Pacific Railway system which carries 12,000 passengers a day and 60,000,000 tons of freight annually.

The stock market perked up a little from time to time and closed out the business week with a net addition to the quoted value of stocks listed on the big board of about US\$300,000,000.

This was not much, as things go in the market but it kept alive hopes of enthusiasts that the uneven advance in effect since the middle of June will eventually blossom into a full-fledged stock market boom.

Business loans took a modest turn for the better.—Associated Press.

Money Market

US dollars plunged down to HK\$5.50 shortly after the market opened yesterday but improved to \$5.59 in the afternoon. At the close the rate was \$5.59.

TT was put through from HK\$5.50 and \$5.59.

Sterling opened at HK\$15.35 and closed at \$15.30.

Australian pounds improved to HK\$12.25 after opening at HK\$12.20.

Plasters were unchanged at HK\$12.60 a 100.

Ticals were easier at HK\$26.50 a 100.

NEI Guilders dropped to HK\$2.75 a 100 after opening at \$2.80.

FINANCE COMPANY DIVIDEND

The Board of Directors of Yangtze Finance Co., Ltd. have decided to recommend to the forthcoming Annual General Meeting the payment of a dividend of 6% free of tax for the year ended March 31.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE Agents, Sept. 13, 1949.

U.S. METAL MARKET REVIEW

New York, September 12.

Price confusion in the zinc market was cleared up last week. Demand for copper and lead continued strong with quotations firm.

Silver advanced a quarter of a cent. And the British Ministry of Supply removed its temporary ban on tin exports to U.S. buyers.

Prime Western zinc prices settled at 10 cents a pound, East St. Louis, after some offerings were made at 10 1/2. Buying continued moderate.

The American Zinc Institute reported that earlier shipments to domestic zinc consumers last month were the largest since December of 1946. The August shipments totalled 68,659 tons, compared with 62,443 in July.

The upturn in copper business continued at 17 5/8 cents a pound, Connecticut Valley.

Lead producers opened their books for October shipment orders and buying was in good volume at 15 1/8 cents a pound, New York. Some Government business was included. Export lead was offered at 15 5/8 cents, Gulf ports, on a slow market.

Foreign silver rose a quarter of a cent on a ounce on Wednesday to 73 1/4 cents, New York. The advance was attributed partly to improved demand from manufacturers of flatware and other products, now replenishing inventories for autumn production.

Also, the Navy Department asked for offer of 720,000 ounces of silver for use at the Forest Park, Illinois, ordinance plant with shipment before December 15. The Navy did not disclose whether it would buy foreign silver or domestic metal. The U.S. Treasury is required to pay 90 1/2 cents an ounce for all newly mined U.S. silver.

The British Ministry of Supply offered Straits tin to private U.S. buyers on consignment for September and October shipment, with a deferred pricing arrangement. However, New York importers said the offer had met little response from U.S. traders.

Major non-ferrous metals prices: Copper, foreign, 17.625 cents, New York.

Lead, foreign, 16.625 cents, Gulf of Mexico ports.

Zinc, foreign, 6.5 cents, Gulf of Mexico ports.

Aluminum pigs, 16 cents, shipping point.

Antimony, 41.78 cents a pound case, New York.

Platinum, US\$699 an ounce wholesale, New York.

Silver, 73.25 cents an ounce, New York; 44.5 pence, London.

Quicksilver, US\$72 to US\$75 a flask of 70 pounds, New York.

Tungsten ore, Chinese, US\$19 to US\$21 a short ton unit (20 pounds), New York.—Associated Press.

URANIUM FIND

Perth, September 12.

A prospector claims he has found large deposits of uranium ore in Western Australia. W. D. Miller said his find is 80 miles west of Marble Bar, hottest town in Australia, 1,240 miles North East of Perth.

The site is in rough, country near large known deposits of the mineral tantalite. Miller said a local assay showed about 40 per cent uranium content, which would make it the richest known deposit in Australia.—Associated Press.

BRITISH SHIP TOTAL LOSS?

San Francisco, September 11.

The 6,736-ton British motor-ship, the Pacific Enterprise, which was grounded on rocky coast at Point Arena, North of here, was abandoned last night.

The last of the crew of 12 and the skipper left the ship by a launch in rising seas as the vessel began to crack.

The Coast Guard cutter, Gregham, which had been standing by since she scraped on to the submerged rock on Friday morning, has left the scene.

"Her back is broken and the chances are slim that they will be able to salvage any of her cargo," a Coast Guard observer said.—Reuter.

GREECE DEPENDS ON U.S. AID

New York, September 11.

George Mavros, Greek Minister of National Economy, said on his arrival here by air from Athens today that no economy in Europe is as dependent on American aid as the Greek.

"Four-fifths of Greek imports are being paid for with American aid," he said.

"We are very optimistic of Greek economy because military operations are substantially at an end and a major amount of American aid can now be applied for the recovery of the country."

"We hope to sell Greek products to countries outside the Marshall Plan such as Australia, Egypt, Africa and Japan."

He added that according to present estimates American aid to Greece would be needed for a short time beyond 1952.

Mr. Mavros is to attend the Board of Governors' meeting of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development in Washington.—Reuter.

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Ajax (D & S) British 4528 tons ex-
Kamahl Capt. P. Cross A.A.
Hanyang (H & S) British 1027 tons
ex-Fusan A.A.
Joplin Victory (U.S.) American 4665
tons ex-Hankow T. Wan
Lancashire (H & S) British 7108 tons
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TODAY

American Mail (Everett) ex-Atlantic
Coast.
Ben. (H & S) British 4528 tons ex-
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Belapur (H & S) British 1027 tons
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TOMORROW

Colorado (Doddwell) ex-Los Angeles.
Kwong (H & S) British 4528 tons
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Pioneer (H & S) British 1027 tons
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Shipping Departures

YESTERDAY

Honolulu (Lorley) for Manila.
California (H & S) for Kobe.
Hoi Mung (Thornhill) for Swatow.
Hoi Yu (C.M.S.) for Keelung.
Hong Kong (Hoi Yu) for Swatow.
Joplin Victory (U.S.) for Cebu.
St. Bernard (Gillman) for Bangkok.
Tahiti (H & S) for Manila.
Yu Chung (Kong Tai) for Canton.

TODAY

Chowang (Jardine) for Inchon.
City of Evansville (Bank) for Europe.
Eumata (H & S) for Europe.
Farrhill (Thornhill) for Atlantic Coast.
La. Marcelline (M.M.) for Marseilles.
Pioneer (H & S) for Hongkong.
Tasman (R.M.S.) for Japan.

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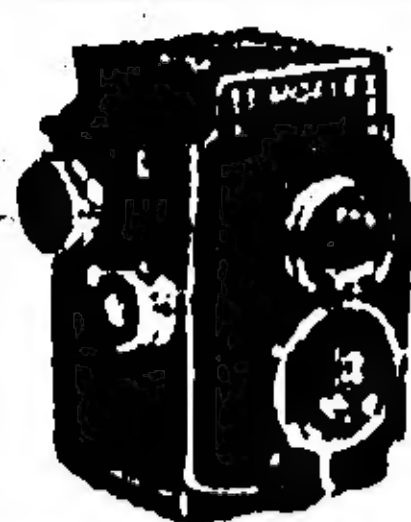
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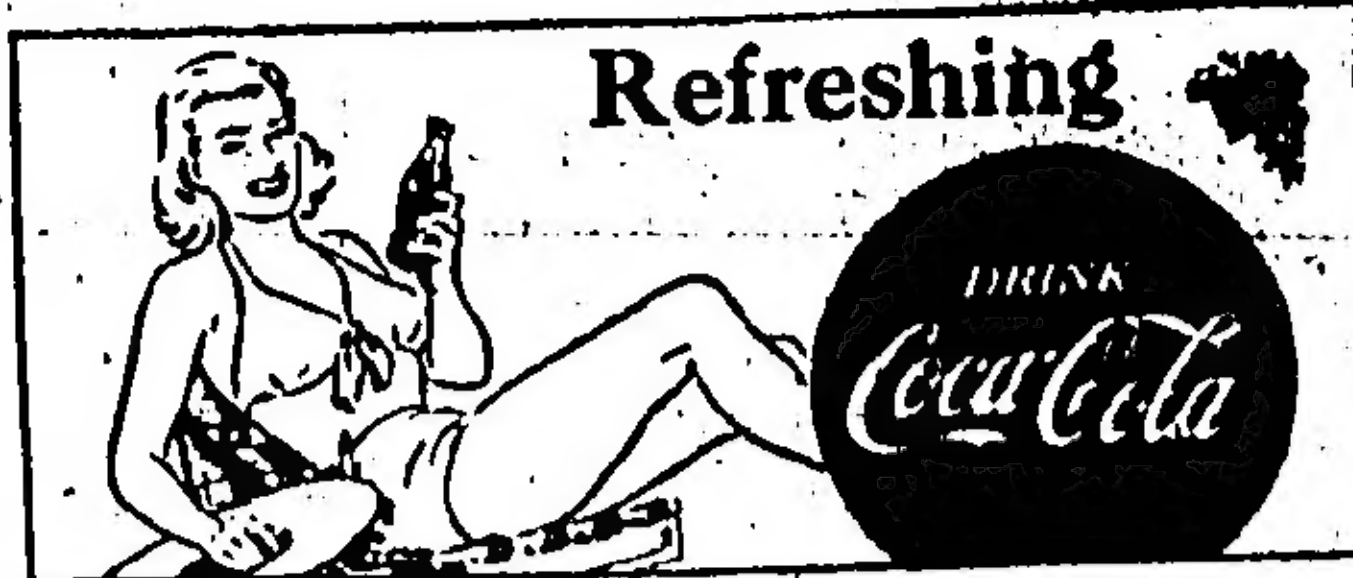
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Scathing Attack On State Of Soccer In HK

(By "ROYER")

A scathing attack by Mr. Lai Yuk-tat on the existing state of football in this Colony and the "temptations" being placed in the way of players, featured the monthly Council Meeting of the Chinese National Amateur Athletic Federation on Friday last.

Mr. Lai, who is one of the Councilors of the CNAAF and a representative of the Chinese Amateur Athletic, did not mince his words, but was quite frank about the corruption which existed in some sections of local soccer and the effect of such corruption on the youngsters—the footballers of tomorrow.

Mr. Lai did not only confine himself to criticism, but also put forward several suggestions for a betterment of existing conditions. His suggestions were not, however, dealt with by the Council, which decided that they should be considered by the incoming Council to be elected at the annual general meeting to be held shortly.

The stand taken by Mr. Lai, who is best known as one of Hong Kong's most outstanding footballers, came 20 years ago a time when football here was played purely and simply for the game's sake and it is commended, the more so when it is realised that by being outspoken he is likely to find himself criticised by the "vested interests" behind local soccer.

For several weeks past, the fullest publicity has been given to the "bargaining" taking place between certain players and clubs. Practically every Chinese man, woman and child is aware of the bitter struggle for supremacy which is going on between certain interests attempting to gain complete control over players.

It is also common knowledge that those who are directly responsible for the existing state of affairs are not really interested in the game for the game's sake.

Everywhere one hears the subject of soccer being avidly discussed and there can be no doubt but that it is the consensus among Chinese that football in this Colony "stinks". This view is also shared by the majority of foreigners who know Hong Kong soccer and who are not afraid to speak the truth.

A prominent European referee, who has in the past handled First Division as well as repre-

sentative games, very capably, was asked by the "China Mail" last week if he intended taking up the game again this season.

Full Of Rackets

This gentleman replied, most emphatically, that he was not going to act as a referee in Hong Kong any more. When asked the reason, he replied "I don't like rackets and soccer in Hong Kong is full of rackets."

What most people would like to know, therefore, is this: Why is the Hong Kong Football Association, as the body governing amateur soccer in this Colony, so indifferent to what is taking place and what does it propose to do to put a stop to what is, without question, a nasty piece of business?

As has been mentioned in former issues, the HKFA is attempting to avoid its responsibility by asking those who mention professionalism to prove it and to add that the Council cannot take any action unless and until clubs themselves come forward with reports on complaints.

"Clean Hands"

In this connection, it would seem that the HKFA should be reminded of a legal maxim which runs somewhat on the following lines: "The who seeks equity must come to Court with clean hands."

In other words, does the HKFA seriously expect any club, which has lost or is unable to obtain the services of a particular player because a rival club has offered more tempting "inducements", to come forward and lodge a complaint or report?

It is about time that the HKFA realised that clubs which are engaged in the "bargaining" of players and the promotion of "underground" professionalism will not make complaints against each other to the HKFA. They will, no doubt, fight each other with all resources at their disposal, but to make a report to the HKFA would be entirely out of the question.

It may well be that the HKFA intends to give those concerned enough rope to hang themselves. It is hardly likely, however, that the officials of the HKFA, who have other business to attend to, will be able to match their wits against folk who, assisted by "middlemen" and "advisers", spend much time plotting and planning.

As a matter of interest, it might also be mentioned that following an article in the "Sunday Herald" recently, wherein reference was made to Rule 29 of the Football Association of England and instructions regarding payments to the amateur, the HKFA immediately produced a Bulletin No. 10, item 100, for perusal by certain members of the Press.

Definition Of Amateur

Item 100, which is headed "Olympic Games" refers to a letter from Mr. J. Schreider, General Secretary of the Executive Committee of the F.I.A.F., setting forth the new definition of an amateur.

In producing this Bulletin, and drawing attention to Item 100, the HKFA apparently overlooked the fact that in the preamble to the letter, it was definitely stated that the rules and regulations of the four British Associations did not allow the definition mentioned and its implications to be adopted.

Why, therefore, was this particular letter referred to the Press? As the HKFA is affiliated to the Football Association of England, its duty is to adhere to the rules and regulations of the parent organisation.

It is, therefore, strongly emphasised that the introduction of extraneous matter, which is likely to cause confusion in the minds of those who do not understand the problem clearly, is highly undesirable, particularly in a place like Hong Kong.

Unless and until the HKFA asserts itself and enforces, without fear or favour, the rules and regulations of amateur football, it will not win the respect or the confidence of the public.

Members of the public may, because they wish to have entertainment and relaxation, attend soccer matches in their thousands and help swell the coffers of the HKFA, but their presence at matches should not be taken to mean that they have any respect for the Association or for those players who are definitely known to be paid players.

Final Marks

The final marks gained in the five hill climbs constituting the championship were: Allard 28 marks, R.D. Poole (Alfa) 24 marks, Stirling Ross (Cooper) 20 marks, Fry (Freikierwagen) 28 marks.

Mr. Allard's best time today was 44.26 seconds. Another brilliant performance was that of 19-year-old Stirling Ross, whose car is only one-quarter of the size of Mr. Allard's but who recorded 44.77 seconds.

Mr. Raymond Mays could not defend his title owing to trouble with his Alfa car and was present only as a spectator. He was one of the first to congratulate Mr. Allard.—Reuter.

MRS. MOTTRAM WINS ZURICH TENNIS TITLE

Zurich, September 11.

The British girl, Miss Joy Gannon, who yesterday married the British Davis Cup player, Tony Mottram, celebrated by winning the singles title in the Zurich lawn tennis tournament here today. In the final she beat Frau Broz, of Austria, by 6-4 and 6-3.

Mr. and Mrs. Mottram were beaten by 6-4 and 6-3 in a mixed doubles final by the Dutch champion, Miss Hermen, and Puncce, the former Yugoslav Davis Cup player.

Puncce won the men's singles title by beating Rolf Crofer, of Germany, who was forced to retire with cramp, in his back after two sets. Puncce was then leading by 8-4 and 6-1.—Reuter.

Trial Race Meeting Entries

The following are the entries for the Trial Race Meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, to be run on Wednesday, September 21, at the Hong Kong Racecourse (1st Sec.)

1.—Trial Meeting Handicap (1st Sec.) 1 Mile: Al Fresco, Brownie, Chelsea, Emerald, Good Day, Good News, Green Velvet, Harvard, Jackal, Kingfisher, Mid-night Express, National Guard, Pacific, Reputation, Sharpshoot, Stirling Castle, Sunlink, The Hopeful.

2.—Totalisator Handicap (1st Sec.) 1 Mile Class B: Cooney, Fat Choy, Fearless Witness, Gangway, Happy Boy, Hongkong Midden, Jeep Beauty, Jorrock, Kolinsky, Liberty Diamond, Mercury, National Glory, Jinkie, Sans Atout, Sidher, Vanguard.

3.—Totalisator Handicap (2nd Sec.) 1 Mile Class: Clipper, Araky, Busted Straight, Conqueror, Dawn, Diamond Guard, Emperor's Gate, Flying Dragon, Happy Event, Prosperity, Sprinter, Strathnam, Sulphur, Tossall, Trial Trip.

4.—Trial Meeting Handicap (2nd Sec.) 1 Mile Class 7: Airfield, Amber, Argus II, Bullerian, Epimach, Flight, Flying Wheel, Forever Spring, Kwong Leung, Morning Sky, Peacock, Rifle, Rosemarie, Sapientia, Shamie, Shahin, Shangrila, Yacal.

CCC BEAT RAF IN TENNIS MATCH

Playing at home in the "B" Division Tennis League at Happy Valley, Craigengower Cricket Club beat the Royal Air Force by nine sets to nil.

R.O. Leonard and Hui King-sing (CCC) beat Doyle and Hamilton (RAF) 6-4, beat Crossley and Davenport 6-1, beat Cunningham and O'Neill 6-1.

R.O. Baker and S. Leonard (CCC) beat Doyle and Hamilton 6-1, beat Crossley and Davenport 6-2, beat Cunningham and O'Neill 6-2.

D. Leonard and L.P. de Souza (CCC) beat Doyle and Hamilton 6-4, beat Crossley and Davenport 6-2, beat Cunningham and O'Neill 6-0.

SCAA 7—HKCC 2

At the Hong Kong Cricket Club yesterday, South China Athletic Association beat the home team by seven sets to two in the mixed doubles league match.

Mr. Hoeman and Mrs. Slater (HKCC) lost to Mrs. Chow and Mr. E. Tsai 1-6; lost to Mrs. K.H. Ip and Mr. D. Tsai 3-6; and beat Miss Chang and Mr. T.T. Chen 6-0.

Mr. Cooper and Mrs. Andrew (HKCC) lost to Mrs. Chow and Mr. E. Tsai 1-6; lost to Mrs. K.H. Ip and Mr. D. Tsai 0-6, and drew with Miss Chang and Mr. T.T. Chen 6-6.

Mr. J.D. Mackie and Mrs. Mackie lost to Mrs. Chow and Mr. E. Tsai 1-6; lost to Mrs. K.H. Ip and Mr. D. Tsai 1-6; and drew with Miss Chang and Mr. T.T. Chen 6-6.

KCC BOWLS REMINDER

Members of the Kowloon Cricket Club are reminded that the first round of the Tyros, Pairs and Club Championship must be played by Friday, September 16.

The challenger in each case is responsible for all arrangements. The second round will also have to be completed by Friday, September 23, at the latest.

The Bowls Sub-Committee reserve the right to scratch any contestants failing to play during the stipulated period.

IRC BOWLS TEAM

The following will represent the Indian Recreation Club's 2nd Team against Hong Kong Football Club in a Lawn Bowls game on Saturday, September 19, at Sookunpoo.

2nd I.R.C. Team: A.R.A. Rishan, A. Ali, and M.Y. ABA (Skip); A.M. Kadir, E.R. Mariker, A.M. Rishan, and G.M. Rishan (2nd); P.O. Bux, S.S. Bux, and A.M. Rishan (3rd); and A.M. Rishan (4th).

Leading Averages In First Class Cricket

The first 12 batsmen in the final first class averages, qualification 20 innings, are:

	Inns.	Not Out	Runs	Highest	Average
J. Hardstaff (Notts)	40	9	2251	162*	72.61
L. Hutton (Yorkshire)	50	6	3429	268*	68.58
R.T. Simpson (Notts)	40	6	2525	238	63.12
M. Donnelly (N.Z.)	46	6	2927	206	61.81
John Langridge (Sussex)	53	5	2914	234*	60.70
B. Sutcliffe (N.Z.)	49	5	2627	243	59.70
W. Keeton (Notts)	38	1	2049	208	55.37
D.J. Insole (Essex)	39	9	1640	201	54.66
C. Washbrook (Lancs)	27	1	1419	141	54.67
W. Wallace (N.Z.)	41	6	1722	197	49.20
N. Oldfield (Northants)	47	3	2192	168	49.81
D. Compton (Middlesex)	56	4	2630	182	46.65

(* Not out)

The first 12 in the bowling averages, qualification 30 wickets, were:

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. Aspinall (Yorks)	133.1	32	89	30	9.63
T. Goddard (Glos)	118.2	326	309	100	19.18
A.H. Kardar (Warwick)	922.6	306	1777	82	19.31
R. Howarth (Worcester)	1113.4	389	2278	117	19.47
H. Hazell (Somerset)	923.1	333	2065	106	19.48
J.C. Laker (Sussex)	1473.3	526	2948	150	19.65
L. Jackson (Derbyshire)	1020.1	219	2422	122	19.85
W. Hollies (Warwick)	1627.4	584	3413	166	20.56
A. Coxon (Yorkshire)	920.2	238	2100	101	20.79
M.H. Wrigley (Oxford U.)	314.4	75	792	38	20.84
R. Jenkins (Worcester)	1146.1	187	3879	183	21.19

T.B. Burt headed the New Zealanders' bowling averages with 1235 overs, 410 maidens, 2929 runs, 128 wickets, average 22.88.—Reuter.

Good Soccer Seen In Army Trial Match

(By "RAMBLER")

Some good soccer was seen yesterday at Sookunpoo when the Army held another trial between the Green and White and the Red and Black and resulted in a victory for the latter team, by three goals to one after a goalless first half.

Both teams were one short and they played 10 a side and a duration of 20 minutes each half.

There were quite a few good players seen in action with Higgins giving a good display. Higgins played for the Corinthians at home.

Referees Association Meeting

Mr. A. Guest was re-elected Chairman of the Hong Kong Football Referees Association at a meeting last night held at the Victoria Recreation Club.

Mr. W. Gaffney was re-elected Secretary of the association. Five members of the association were also elected last night as members of the Committee. They were: Captain J.H. Stone, Captain J.H. Chisnall, Mr. J.F. Ennis, Mr. Mak Young-wei and Mr. J. Puley.

The agenda of last night's meeting consisted of the reading of the last meeting's minutes, the reading of the association's correspondence, the reading of the association's annual report and financial statement and the election of new officials.

Mr. Guest told the referees that during the football season in 1949 and 1950, the referees did a good job despite constant criticism from the outside. He further said that it is a difficult task to control 22 footballers on the field before the eyes of two or three thousand spectators.

Mr. Guest also announced that lectures for football referees will start today at the Hong Kong Football Association in Prince's Building.

The next meeting of the association will be held on September 26 at 8.30 p.m.

DRAW FOR OPEN PAIRS BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIP

The following is the draw for the Colony's Open Pairs Championship which will be held on Thursday, September 15, at 5.30 p.m.

At KCC
J. Luz and R.P. Luz vs. K.M. Rumbhann and S.M. Rumbhann.

At KBCC
G. Gutierrez and J. Noconha vs. J. Bradley and J.S. Landolt.

FINAL OF LAWN BOWLS TRIPLES

The final of the Lawn Bowls Triples will be played on Sunday, September 18, in the Club de Regatta commencing at 4.00 p.m.

The finalists are: Mr. Omer, Mr. Omar, and Mr. Omar vs. Mr. Al-Jarrah, Mr. Al-Jarrah, and Mr. Al-Jarrah.

Another player who showed some good football was Keetley in the pivotal position. Keetley is a schoolboy international and was dealing with his headwork. He displayed good ball control and gave more time to settle down, will be a thorn to any centre-forward in the colony.

Bradley gave a sound display on left back while Craigengower was seen in some pretty movements. His passing to his forwards was on and his position and always found its mark.

In spite of the heat the exchanges in the opening stages of the game were quite even with each side attacking in turn. It was during one of the raids that Green and White went through on their own, his parting shot had the goalie completely beaten only to see the ball hitting the upright.

Long Shot

There was no scoring in the first half. After the interval the Red and Black bombarded the opponents' goal for some time and eventually took the lead through Robinson who beat the goalie with a long shot. Not long after Green and White equalised through Woods. He received a neat pass from Higgins and went through on his own to give the goalie no chance with his parting shot.

Red and Black then did most of the attacking and within the next five minutes had taken the lead through Sinclair. Before the final whistle, McAllen completed the scoring for the Red and Black giving them a well deserved victory.

Green and White: Brown, Taylor, Ferris, Byard, A. Woods, McAllen, Sinclair, Alexander, Jones and Sinclair.

BRITISH EMPIRE CRICKET XI

London, September 12.

Norman Oldfield, the Northamptonshire batsman who scored over 2,000 runs this season for an average of 40.81, and Ray Smith, the Essex all-rounder, have accepted invitations to tour India, Pakistan and Ceylon with the British Empire Cricket XI this winter.

Ken Meutemen, of Victoria, Australia, who was to have joined the team at Bombay has withdrawn from the side.—Reuter.

CYCLING TITLES RETAINED

Rhema, September 11.

Jacques Bollenger, the sprint champion, and Jacques Dupont, the four-kilometres pursuit champion, retained their titles in the French amateur cycling championships which ended here today.

Paris won the team pursuit event while Robert Varnajo became the road champion.—Reuter.

U.S. Ryder Cup Team Pleased With Ganton Golf Course

Ganton, September 11.

The American Ryder Cup players today took their first look at the Ganton golf course, where they meet the British on Friday and Saturday, and came away happy.

"It is a wonderful course," seemed to be the unanimous opinion. "We are very pleased," said Ben Hogan, the non-playing American Captain. "Everybody likes it."

Fanling Golf: N.R. Oliver Qualifies For Captain's Cup

There was some good competition in the Captain's Cup competition played over the Old Course at Fanling last week, which was won by Mr. N. R. Oliver (Handicap 18) who qualified with a round of 68.

Other leading scores were as follows:

K.A. Miller	87—18=69
A.R. de Pina	85—16=69
S.S. Gordon	79—9=70
R.A. Crawford	87—15=72
N.D. Bonker	95—22=73
I.F. Aucott	81—8=73
E.R. Hill	92—18=74

Handicap Cards: Players must put the date on their cards as course conditions vary from day to day.

Divots: Players are still extremely careless about replacing their divots and are therefore earnestly requested to give this little duty their special attention whenever it becomes necessary.

A large divot found on the Fairway last Sunday was exhibited in the hall of the clubhouse.

Men's Club House: As there are no prospects of Interport Club House materialising the Men's Club House is now available for bookings during October and the Double Tenth week-end.

Club Services match: A match has been arranged against the Services for Sunday, September 25, and members wishing to play are asked to submit their names by Friday of this week in order to make necessary arrangements. It is hoped that there will be a good turnout for the above match.

Ladies' Section

Mrs. H. Prophet qualified for the Captain's Cup at Fanling for the month of August.

The Monthly Medal at Deep Water Bay was won by Mrs. A. de Burgh Morris.

On Thursday, September 15, a Shanghai Foursome will be played at Deep Water Bay.

The following partners have been drawn. Foursomes will go off as pairs arrive. Play to be in morning only.

A. Mackie and G. Watkinson, W. Williams and E.W. Webb, M.C. Elliot and K. Robb, D. Hunter and M. Gardner, A.M. Brown and A. Linsbury, M.A. Seville and M. Linsbury, L. Tipin and J. Hale, M.C. Mackie and B. Waller, M.E. Hill and I. Robertson, M.A. Seville and M. Linsbury, M.M. Robertson and D. Stoker, L. Clague and A. Mackham, P. Pott-Hunt and A. Black, J. Brinkland and J. Brown, N. Laitner and M. Frederick, A. Shewan and M. Gallop.

Ascarì Wins Monza Grand Prix Of Europe

Monza, September 11.

The Italian crack driver, Alberto Ascarì, at the wheel of a Ferrari, won the Monza Grand Prix of Europe motor race here today. He completed the 80 laps, a distance of 316 miles, in 2 hrs. 58 mins. 53.8 secs. at an average speed of about 105 miles per hour.

A crowd of 50,000 watched the race, which was held in fine weather, but in spite of the good condition of the track only Ascarì completed the full course.

In accordance with the rules, the race was ended after the Italian had crossed the finishing line. The French driver, Philippe Etancelin, driving a Talbot, was placed second, having completed 70 laps in 3 hrs. and 58.2 secs.

Prince Bira of Siam, driving a Maserati, was third, having completed 77 laps. Ascarì led from start to finish. After 40 laps he had been completed only 10 of the 24 starters remained.—Reuter.

DENMARK BEATS NORWAY

Oslo, September 11.

Denmark beat Norway in an international soccer match here today by two goals to nil.—Reuter.

Poison--Not Anthrax The Cause Of Deaths

London, September 11.

British race horse trainers' fear of an anthrax epidemic in their stables were allayed today with the announcement that an unidentified poison, and not anthrax, or any other bacteriological disease, killed four National Stud yearlings last 10 days.

The first two yearlings, killed by Star Dust out of Sunbird, were found dead in their boxes in the National Stud at Gillingham, Dorset, on September 1.

Two others, which were sold at the Doncaster sales last Tuesday, died yesterday. They were a bay filly by Court Martial out of Sword Knot, for which Mr. Sam Hall paid 2,000 guineas, and a chestnut colt by Blue Peter out of Widow, which was bought by Lord Delamere for 850 guineas.

Advised To Isolate

Before today's announcement, the Doncaster Stewards had advised all purchasers of National Stud yearlings to isolate them because of the possibility of anthrax, which affects cattle, but rarely horses, in Britain.

Mr. Peter Burrell, Director of the National Stud, which is administered by the Ministry of Agriculture, said that a post-mortem examination of the first two yearlings established the fact that as yet an unidentified poison had caused their deaths.

"Foul play is not suspected at the moment," he stated, adding that he was awaiting the analysis of the blood tests made by officials of the Ministry of Agriculture on the 2,000 guinea filly, established that she did not die from anthrax. The official later announced that there would be no restrictions on race horses trained at its purchaser's establishment.—Hawter.

No Private Baths

The players still did not like it. They plundered and grumbled but finally went to bed without private baths.

The course was a pleasant surprise to most of the Americans. "The greens are in wonderful condition," Hogan declared after walking two holes.

Skip Alcindore, the ninth playing member of the team, was expected here late tonight from Prestwick, Scotland, where he was scheduled to arrive by plane from the U.S.

Official practice rounds begin on Monday.—Associated Press.

SUCCESS OF ITALIAN ATHLETES

Istanbul, September 11.

Italian athletes today captured all five events for which they had entered in the closing day of the Mediterranean track and field championships. They won the 200 metre dash, 800 metre run, discus throw, long jump and high jump.

The five member Italian team thus won nine out of the 10 competitions in which they took part in the two day games. On Saturday they took the 100 metre sprint, 400 metre dash, hammer throw and shotput and lost the 110 metre hurdles.—Associated Press.

JAPS TO RESTORE TRADE MARKS

Tokyo, September 12.

General MacArthur today directed Japan to restore pre-war trade-marks to allied nations and to ensure adequate protection to them in future.

The measure applies to rights in Japan which were cancelled or had expired, due to circumstances arising out of World War Two and also to applications pending in December, 1941 when war broke out.

The Japanese Government was also directed to prevent future registrations of marks similar to trade marks or names used by United Nations nationals.

In addition, nationals of Allied countries who have registered new-trade marks in any country during the war, but who could not register them in Japan because of circumstances arising out of the war, can now file corresponding applications in Japan with a right of priority based upon the date of the first foreign application.—Reuter.

JAP SHIP HITS MINE; 26 MISSING

Tokyo, Sept. 12.

Twenty-six crew members of the 500-ton freighter, were reported missing following a collision of the vessel with a stray mine in the Port of Wakamatsu, Kyushu, this afternoon.

The ship sank instantly, according to the Maritime Safety Board, today.—Reuter.

Baseball Scores

New York, September 11.

Today's baseball scores were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Boston (1st game) 4 12 4
Philadelphia 6 12 4
Winning pitcher: Joe Coleman
loser Joe Deboan.

Boston (2nd game) 0 2 8
Philadelphia 4 8 6
Winning pitcher: Carl Scheib
loser Charlie Stobbs.

Washington (1st game) 5 9 9
New York 20 17 5
Winning pitcher: Alie Reynolds
loser, Paul Calvert.

Washington (2nd game) 1 7 7
New York 2 5 5
Winning pitcher: Fred Sanford
loser Sid Hudson.

Detroit 1 8 3
Chicago 0 3 3
Winning pitcher: Virgil Trucks
loser Bill Wright.

Cleveland 4 14 4
St. Louis 5 12 2
Winning pitcher: Cliff Fanning
loser Al Benton.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis (1st game) 7 13 13
Cincinnati 5 12 2
Winning pitcher: Stanley Joco
loser Al Benton.

St. Louis (2nd game) 7 10 10
Cincinnati 4 9 9
(Called at the end of the eighth due to darkness)
Winning pitcher: Marty Marion
loser Harry Perkowski.

New York 5 9 9
Brooklyn 10 9 9
Winning pitcher: Carl Erskine
loser Adrian Zabala.

Chicago 3 7 11
Pittsburgh 7 11 7
Winning pitcher: Murry Dickson
loser Harry Perkowski.

Philadelphia (1st game) 6 13 6
Boston 3 8 3
Losing pitcher: Bill Voiselle.

Philadelphia (2nd game) 6 13 6
Boston 3 8 3
Winning pitcher: Russ Meyer
loser Van Lint.

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